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BTU Conference Leader



MISS CHARLOTTE TEDDER

Miss Charlotte Tedder, of the Training Union Department, Nashville, will be guest speaker and conference leader at the Training Union Convention, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, December 30-31.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS BALANCE OF THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIVE DOLLARS DUE ON SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION INDEBTEDNESS AS OF DECEMBER FIFTEENTH NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY THREE STOP WE CAN RETIRE THIS BALANCE BY END OF YEAR IF CHURCHES WILL EMPHASIZE HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB PAYMENT IN FULL ON SUNDAY DECEMBER TWENTY SIXTH AND REMIT SAME TO STATE SECRETARIES BY DECEMBER THIRTIETH SO THAT STATE SECRETARIES MAY WIRE THEIR RECEIPTS TO NASHVILLE OFFICE ON DECEMBER THIRTY FIRST STOP COMPLETE VICTORY AT LAST WITHIN OUR GRASP STOP WE EARNESTLY APPEAL TO PASTORS AND CHURCHES COOPERATE IN ABOVE PLAN STOP

CHAS W DANIEL PRESIDENT
WALTER M GILMORE
SECRETARY

Editor's note: We urge our readers to do their best. Let's end '43 debt free, and go into '44 to get into debt nevermore.

Circulation This Week

37,489

A Gain of 598 Since Last Week

“COMING PEACE AND PRINCE OF PEACE”



Howard Chandler Christy's first picture with a religious theme. At the center is a figure of Christ. At the left, by His feet, are two soldiers, one bowed and broken, the other well-nigh spent, with eyes uplifted to Christ. Behind, dimly seen, are ships in battle.

On the right is a girl mother, a widow, with babe in arms. She looks up from the destruction of war to the One who came not to destroy.

BAPTISTS DECLINE TO ENDORSE RELIGIOUS TEACHING IN SCHOOLS

Winston-Salem, N. C.—(RNS)—The 113th session of the State Baptist Convention here declined to endorse religious teaching in public schools and refused to approve affiliation of the convention with the North Carolina Council of Churches.

The way was left open, however, for individual Baptist churches in North Carolina to approve weekday religious education and for individual Baptists to affiliate with the council.

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London (By CABLE)—(RNS)—Allied air attacks have destroyed the only factory in Germany equipped to extract valuable metals from confiscated church bells, according to the Belgian underground newspaper, Le Coup. Belgian patriots, the paper adds, hope to gain possession of unmelted bells still in Nazi warehouses.

WAKE UP, CHRISTIAN AMERICA!

Our boys are dying,
And we are crying,
Our Lord is still on His throne,
He, alone, can bring them home.

“Prayer Changes Things”

“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” 2 Chron. 7:14.

Attend your midweek prayer meetings and receive spiritual strength.

—A Mother of a Son Over There.

—BR—

A MISSISSIPPI NEED

Georgia and Arizona are the newest states to purchase buildings for denominational headquarters. We do not covet their buildings but we do covet one for Mississippi.

BTU Conference Speaker



DR. CLAY I. HUDSON

Dr. Clay I. Hudson, Nashville, Tenn., Southwide B. A. U. leader, will be guest speaker and conference leader during the State Training Union Convention, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., Dec. 30-31.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Following a custom of many years there will be no issue of The Baptist Record on December 30 (next week). Although the announcement of the omission of the Christmas issue is made each year, yet there are those who invariably write to know why their paper did not come. The next issue of the Record will be dated January 6, 1944.

On this page is a picture expressing the Christmas spirit. It is the editor's way of sending greetings to all who read the Record and to all their friends. We heartily repeat the old phrase, “Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.”

DECEMBER 31 IS THE DEADLINE

Notice to Pastors, Treasurers, and others having or handling monies intended for our 1943 records! Our books of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board Office will close December 31st for the calendar year. Printed reports of receipts will include monies received through the last day of this year. Thanks!

—D. A. McCall, Treasurer.

—BR—

EVERY CHURCH IS INVITED YEA, URGED

To send their Sunday school and Training Union attendance. Put it on a postal card and mail Sunday night or Monday morning.

Address

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P. O. Box 530
Jackson, 105, Mississippi

Sparks & Splinters

Yazoo church, Leflore county: Recently L. D. Sellers, "the Bishop of Carroll county," assisted me in a revival at Yazoo church. There were 25 additions—22 for baptism. The field is truly white unto harvest but the laborers are few. A new field should be formed. This is a new community of 58 families. The Delta is filling up with white people and most of them are Baptists or Baptist-inclined.—C. J. Olander.

One of the really great hospitals of the country is our Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis, Tenn. According to The Commercial Appeal of that city, the officers of the hospital are planning to spend a million dollars in enlargement and further equipment as soon as the cessation of the war releases necessary materials. It makes a Baptist proud to read of this magnificent institution. The hospital's daily average of patients during the past year was 469. It has 500 beds and, as may be seen, these were in almost constant use.—Watchman-Examiner.

Despite increasing overloading of rail facilities with essential war materials and despite the government's call that passenger travel should be cut down as much as possible, more than four million tons of beer and liquor were shipped by freight last year. Everybody is willing to cooperate in the winning of this great war, but it fills Christian people everywhere with indignation that the liquor traffic seems to be given the priority at all times.—Watchman-Examiner.

"The Snowden-Douglass Sunday School Lessons" by Earl L. Douglass and published by the MacMillan Company is a most helpful exposition of the International Sunday school lessons. The 1944 edition of these popular Sunday school lessons contains the excellent new feature which has made this book so helpful, "Hints for Teachers." Of this commentary, the Review and Expositor says, "A great multitude of Sunday school teachers and Bible students will welcome this commentary." The price is \$1.50.

Chaplain J. Felix Arnold, Mississippian and '33 graduate of Mississippi College, in the service, sends greetings to friends in the south, and speaks of the coming season when thousands of men will spend Christmas far from home and loved ones. He says, "But that very separation will serve to turn our minds and hearts toward the deeper meanings of Christmas, and though we will not be able to take part in the cherished customs, the carols we love so well will still speak their message to our hearts." He tells of how thousands of men will take part on Christmas day in the religious services and adds: "The opportunities are almost unlimited. There are only about 20 chaplains representing six denominations. . . . In recent weeks I have baptized a dozen, with numbers of others declaring their faith. Our touch with the men is so brief—they are here only a few weeks before going out. Pray for me that every opportunity may be faithfully used."—Lt. (jg) Felix Arnold, U. S. Naval Training Station, Farragut, Idaho.



FATHER CONGRATULATES SON

In the recent election of Sunday school officers of Tylertown church, L. A. Furr was elected superintendent and R. C. Berry assistant. Last Sunday we had 158 present, which was quite an increase over past Sundays. At our preaching service at eleven o'clock, we had almost a packed house when Pastor Cooper preached on "Why I Would Be a Christian." Bros. Furr and Berry are making splendid leaders for our Sunday school.—Reporter.

"Blue Skies Beyond," by H. Lafayette Anderton, is a very interesting novel that portrays present day conditions. Young people will be interested in reading of the two chief characters, who encountered dangers at home and abroad for the purpose of setting up Christian world order. The price is \$2. It is published by the Broadman Press and may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store.

Ocean Springs: I recently assisted Pastor J. F. Sullivan in a revival at Ocean Springs. Pastor and people had prepared well for the meeting and cooperated in a splendid way. The music was under the direction of Mrs. Bennett, who led several different chorus groups. Ocean Springs is unique in that it is strictly a town of homes. There are no factories in its boundaries. People of wealth are beginning to move in. Many of the people work in nearby towns. Pastor Sullivan is leading well. Six were added to the membership.—C. J. Olander.

From Miss Bonnie Mavis Dunn we learn that the Intermediate class of Double Springs church, Webster county, has elected officers for the year. Mrs. J. M. Scarbrough is the teacher. Other officers are: president, Kathleen Hillhouse; vice president, Ofilan Williams; secretary, Bonnie Mavis Dunn, and reporter, Geneva Williams.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. A. R. Smith, Clinton; Rev. D. I. Young, Eden; Ted Bonnette, Canton; J. T. Marshall, Canton; Dr. W. A. Roper, Meridian; Rev. Charles Everett, Seminary Hill, Texas; Rev. Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs and Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton.

Rejoice with us: Please note our circulation figures in another column. At last we have reached the 37,000 mark.

Judge John W. McCall congratulates his son, Dr. Duke K. McCall at his inauguration as third president of the Baptist Bible Institute. Reading from left to right: Judge McCall, Mrs. John W. McCall, Mrs. Duke McCall and Dr. Duke K. McCall.

Bethel Baptist Church, Winston county: At the regular service Sunday afternoon, Dec. 16, Bethel church members gave their pastor a Christmas shower of good things to fill the pantry. The pastor's car was pretty well filled when he came out after the preaching hour. The church, at the pastor's suggestion, voted to add 25% of the fourth Sunday offering to the cause of missions and benevolences. In addition to other plans, they voted to adopt the Minister's Retirement Plan. The clerk, Mrs. Floyd Cockrell is busy this week getting renewals to The Baptist Record. They were being handed in rapidly Sunday afternoon. Though a small membership, this church is vitally interested and very active in all of the Kingdom work. They accepted, and paid, their Now Club quota and have a definite amount for the Co-operative Program each month. The writer serves them as pastor, preaching to them two Sunday afternoons each month.—R. D. Pearson.

Rev. Harold Dye, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Las Cruces, New Mexico, has been elected editor of The Baptist New Mexican. He succeeds Rev. H. F. Burns, who resigned effective January 1, 1944, to accept a pastorate in Vancouver, B. C.

Miss Martha Jean Davis, 22, passed away at her home in Clinton on December 20, after an illness of several months. She was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Davis. Bro. Davis will be remembered as pastor at McCool and Houlika. Due to blindness, he retired several years ago. Other survivors are a brother, Charles T. Davis, Jr., U. S. Army Air Corps, Santa Ana, California, and a sister, Miss Sadie Lee Davis, student and instructor, Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Crystal Springs: Out of a resident membership of approximately 725, 360 have signed a pledge to tithe and we expect the total to be 375.—Reporter.

Rev. and Mrs. V. L. David, Baptist missionaries to Argentina, have been spending part of their furlough on Clarke College campus. They will leave December 26 for Argentina, taking with them their son, Billy, aged 10. The girls will remain in the States. Georgia, aged 14, will attend school in Meridian; Bessie, aged 17, is enrolled as a special student at Clarke College.

Omaha, Nebr.—(RNS)—Despite the difficulties of war, religion is getting a better hearing in England today than for years, said Rev. Walter James Noble, former president of the Methodist Conference of Great Britain, who is on a nationwide tour of Methodist Conferences in the United States. There are a million members of the Methodist Church in England, Dr. Noble said. At least a thousand Methodist churches, more than 200 of them in London, have been destroyed or damaged beyond repair in air raids.

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Dr. Angus Dun, dean and professor of systematic theology in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., was elected Bishop of Washington to succeed the late Rt. Rev. James E. Freeman at a meeting here of clerical and lay delegates of the Washington diocesan convention. Dr. Dun was elected on the third ballot, which gave him 48 out of 92 clerical votes and 51 out of 85 lay votes.

New York—(RNS)—A "Sunday of Sacrifice" was observed by some 7,000 Northern Baptist churches on December 5, in order to raise a \$1,500,000 World Emergency Forward Fund for war-time and post-war needs, denominational headquarters here, announced. It is proposed to allocate \$700,000 for world emergency needs, \$600,000 for work among returning servicemen and other post-war tasks, and \$200,000 for church extension.

London (By Cable to RNS)—A recommendation that churches erect a single memorial to all war dead of their congregation instead of mural tablets honoring individual members has been issued by the Synod of the Episcopal Church of Scotland.

Melrose, Mass.—(RNS)—A group of Protestant and Catholic citizens here, acting through Mayor Carl A. Raymond and the Massachusetts Committee of Christians and Jews, has financed the restoration of headstones and monuments, recently damaged by vandals, in the Melrose cemetery of the Jewish Netherland Society.

The Southern Baptist Seminary has recently secured a number of valuable accessions to their circulating library, which are available for use by all Southern Baptist alumni for a very nominal charge. A list of available books can be secured by writing Dr. Leo T. Crismon, Associate Librarian.

New York (RNS)—Enrollment in Christian colleges and universities in China has increased 20 per cent since last year, according to the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China. Compared with 4,439 last year, 5,404 Chinese students are attending the twelve Christian colleges in Free China. Two universities, Nanking and West China Union, both located in Chengtu, have enrollments exceeding 1,000.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

"They . . . went everywhere preaching the Word." Acts 8:4.

SEASON'S GREETINGS!

A Great Big Wish for a very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful and Prosperous New Year to you and yours—

A PRAYER FOR EVERY DAY

Make me too brave to lie or be unkind
Make me too understanding, too, to mind
The little hurt companions give, and friend,
The careless hurts that no one quite intends.
Make me too thoughtful to hurt others so.
Help me to know
The inmost hearts for those for whom I care,
Their secret wishes, all the loads they bear,
That I may add my courage to their own.
May I make lonely folks feel less alone,
And happy ones a little happier yet.
May I forget
What ought to be forgotten; and recall
Unfailing all
That ought to be recalled, each kindly thing,
Forgetting what might sting.
To all upon my way,
Day after day,
Let me be joy, be hope! Let my life sing!

—M. C. D.

From D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary and all Department associates.

One of the outstanding events of the year closing was the Baptist Bible Institute Silver Anniversary observance and the Inauguration of Dr. Duke K. McCall as the third president.

Since Mississippi Baptists were one of the four sponsors in inaugurating the movement, it was proper that many Mississippi Baptists along with others should have part in the ceremonies.

Mississippi Baptists on the program were Judge John W. McCall, Memphis, and Norris Palmer, Baton Rouge; W. A. Bell, Jackson; P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Edgar Godbold, Pineville, La.; D. A. McCall, Jackson; B. C. Land, Tampa, and of course, Dr. Duke K. McCall, who is himself a Mississippian, having been born in Meridian.

The prayer in the opening session by Dr. D. M. Nelson was as follows:

"Our Father, who art in Heaven, we delight to praise and magnify and exalt Thy Holy Name. With everlasting gratitude we rejoice that thou hast called us to the glorious task of Kingdom-building. We invoke Thy blessings upon every individual, agency, and institution among Southern Baptists dedicated to the sublime end of the world conquest for Christ. Hasten the day, O Lord, when the discoveries and inventions of men shall be used to accelerate the spreading of the gospel to earth's remotest bounds. Hasten the day when airplanes shall be used to carry the soldiers of Christ into all of Satan's strongholds, and radios shall be kept busy broadcasting the news of the victories of King Emanuel on all the fronts of this encircling globe.

"We thank Thee for the achievements and the promise of the Baptist Bible Institute. May it become increasingly more useful and effective in training leaders for the army of our Lord. To this end, give strength and wisdom to our young brother, thy servant, who has been chosen as its president, and to all those who labor with him.

"We pray Thy blessings upon the speaker of this hour. May he stir our hearts with Thy message and send us forth with a stronger purpose to do Thy will! In His Name, we pray. Amen."

The personal and professional greetings from Mississippi Baptists were brought by D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, in the following words:

GREETINGS FROM MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

A Co-Sponsor in the Founding of Baptist Bible Institute

Mr. Chairman:
I come personally and officially with the greetings, love, and good wishes of 300,000 Mississippi Baptists. Certainly, our feeling is one of mutual joy.

We rejoice that this great Institution has come to this great Silver Anniversary hour. We are happy that Mississippi Baptists and this great Institution have been closely linked from its start. Drs. Gray, Lipsey, Lawrence, and others from our beloved state were in on the ground floor at the time of its concept and origin. Baptist Bible Institute has filled many of our Baptist pulpits in country, town, and city—and filled them with splendid men.

We experience an abiding satisfaction in knowing that the fires of evangelism and missions burn brightly here. We thrill at the thought of the strategic, geographical position this Institution occupies—the gateway into two continents—the doorway to the seas and continents of the world.

We appreciate the experience and scholarship of the classrooms coming to our fine young men and women. We are for all that is taught in this Institution—the Bible in English, the original languages, all other languages possible, and Christian training by whatever name called.

Mississippi Baptists believe the one Book—we love it—we propagate its truth. You are joined with us in these things. Altogether we are the people

of the one Book!

Mississippi Baptists have just closed the greatest five year period of their history in evangelistic emphasis and fruitfulness. We have just closed the greatest year of our history as a Convention in financial support to Missions, Christian Education, and benevolences. This Institution has had a real part in all of this and more.

Baptist Bible Institute! Mississippi Baptists greet you and wish for you another twenty-five years of greatness in serving Christ—and, then many more anniversaries as Jesus tarries in His coming.

Mississippi Baptists are also justly proud of the fact that at this time the mantle of some of God's great has fallen upon one of their own sons, as Dr. Duke K. McCall comes to Baptist Bible Institute as the third president. The new president is the product of a truly great Christian home. With much native ability, saved by grace, claimed by the church, and trained in Christian institutions, he comes with unusual talents into this position.

Mississippi Baptists greet Dr. Duke K. McCall with their love and every good wish for a great life of service in Christ Jesus!

We pledge to him and Baptist Bible Institute a continuation of our love, our prayers, our patronage, in sending you some of our best life, our financial support, and our every good wish in Christ Jesus.

I know the task is not small. You are not toying with little things. You are bent on world-wide conquest. You do battle against sin. You covet salvation for all people unto the ends of the earth.

This work takes trained, prepared, Christian soldiers and workers! Therein is your supreme task and opportunity.

Great men are born of the Spirit of God! Great occasions occur within the wisdom of God!

Great institutions arise to forward or save a great cause.

A great present is for the work of God!

A great future challenges us at the hand of God!

In such confidence and strength we go forward! May God's best blessings be upon you and yours! Amen!

The Prayer of Inauguration and Dedication was brought by the father of the new president, Judge John W. McCall, Memphis. The prayer follows:

"OUR HEAVENLY FATHER:—

"We stand in the shadow of Thy mercies. Our spirits are warmed in the light of Thy love. Our hands are strengthened in the power of Thy might. We pause to say, 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow.' As we yield ourselves to Thee we pray that our lives may be cleansed and made acceptable to Thee—channels of blessings in Thy Kingdom. Help us to give back to Thee the life we owe. Bless, we pray Thee, this Institution. Through it give teachers and ministers who will rightly impart Thy word—hasten the coming of Thy Kingdom in this great city.

"In Thy hands, Oh, Lord, we leave this lad (the newly elected president). Keep him humble before men. Give him physical strength and moral courage for the problems of each day, and make him to be a blessing to mankind—To honor and glorify Thee—In Jesus' Name we pray."

The two days were marked by a spirit of good fellowship, sincere optimism, and all seemed to feel that building upon the past, the greatest days of the institution lie ahead.

SUNFLOWER TRAINING UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Sunflower County Training Union Association held their first mass meeting of the associational year Sunday afternoon, Dec. 5, at the Sunflower Baptist Church, Sunflower, Mississippi, with nine of the eighteen churches of the Association represented. Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Mississippi College; A. J. Wilds, State Training Union secretary, and Trewitt Boyd, Mississippi College, were guests with Mr. Wilds as guest speaker.

Officers for the coming year are: Director, Mrs. J. A. Pipkin, Doddsville; associate director, Rev. L. J. Crumby, Inverness; secretary, Miss Sue Hughes, Indianola; pianist, Mrs. M. A. Rowzee, Doddsville; song leader, Rev. C. W. McMurray, Clinton; pastor counselor, Dr. G. Norman Price, Indianola; moderator, Sam L. Jones, Indianola; adult leader, Mrs. A. O. McDade, Doddsville; young people's leader, W. R. Burris, Sunflower; intermediate leader, Mrs. E. J. Murphey, Indianola; junior leader, Mrs. T. J. Marler, Ruleville, and Story Hour leader, Mrs. O. P. Moore, Moorhead.

TWELVE PASTORS REPORT 50 OR MORE BAPTISMS

In response to a recent paragraph in The Baptist Record, twelve pastors have reported that they baptized fifty or more during the past year.

They are: Crystal Springs, Joe

ANNUAL STUDENT NIGHT

The annual observance of Student Night at Christmas time is scheduled for Sunday evening, December 26th, as the preferred date. An attractive poster is being mailed along with the suggested program to all pastors of full-time churches. A postcard to the Student Department, 161 8th Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee, will bring it to all other pastors who desire to present the program.

This year's suggestions offer a choice of three programs—one for home churches with several college students returning for Christmas, another for churches with few college students and numbers of high school students, the third for those churches desiring to honor their service men and women along with the student group.

The timely and meaningful keynote of the seventeen state B. S. U. conventions, "In God We Trust," is the continuing theme of the Student Night programs as those participating share their conviction that through Christ we triumph.

Odle, 57; West Point, John E. Barnes, 55; New Albany, A. B. Pierce, 59; Cleveland, Charles Treadway, 52; Picaune, O. P. Estes, 59; Second Avenue, Laurel, C. W. Thompson, 58; West Laurel, 58; D. W. Moulder's field, 80; Agricola and Shady Grove, E. L. Farr, 53; C. J. Olander's field, 50.

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HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Life holds but few thrills equal to
that of being HOME FOR CHRISTMAS!

From earliest recollections the
thrill of being home for Christmas
has stood out most vividly as having
a place all its own in our lives.

We may not be able to give all the
reasons why this is true, but we do
know that it is true. This is true
during the years when home to us
is that of father, mother, brothers,
sisters. It is also true when changes
have come about so that home has
become one of husband, wife, children.
No matter the location of home
—whether in city, town, village, or
country—the thrill of being there for
Christmas still possesses a charm different
from all others.

We have come again to that season
of the year when literally millions
of people in nearly all countries of
the world are earnestly wishing they
could be HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.
Many of them will be, but many,
many others will not. We wish all
could be.

The chief reason for our wanting
to be home for Christmas is to be
with those who love us most. There
we find those who have worked for
us; who have lived for us; who have
prayed for us; who have suffered for
us; who have agonized for us; who
have given for us; who have hoped
for us; and in some instances have
even died for us.

Small wonder, then, that we want
to be HOME FOR CHRISTMAS. To
have this additional time to be with
those who have done so much for us,
on the birthday of Him who has done
more for us than all others, is the
one experience of each year with
which none other at all compares.

But, as we approach Christmas this
time, we are so keenly aware that
many of our very own will not be
HOME FOR CHRISTMAS. Not that
they do not want to, but conditions

are such that it is not possible.
Therefore, we shall think of them
then, pray for them, and wish them
the best gifts, and hope that by the
next time this happy season comes,
they, too, can be HOME FOR
CHRISTMAS.

Then, since last Christmas so many
homes have received messages from
our government to the effect that
many brave and devoted ones have
paid the supreme sacrifice and will
never again have the joy and pleasure
of being home for Christmas in this
life and with those who have shared
with them the blessings of life.

Yet, upon second thought, we are so
keenly reminded that hundreds of
those who have paid this supreme
sacrifice for their country and all in
it that we hold dear were devoted
Christians and were living their lives,
even in foreign lands, in the light
and hope and joy that came to them
through the simple faith they had
manifested in Jesus Christ, whose
they were and whom they so loyally
and devotedly followed.

That being true, as it most assuredly
was with many of them, they
have gone to their eternal home, and
into the very presence of the ONE
who gave us Christmas. They are
the ones who this year, for their first
time, will know what real Christmas
is. We will enjoy the duplicate; they
will have the original. Ours will be
secondary; theirs will be primary.
Ours will be the substitute; theirs will
be the principal. We can only think
of the Giver; they will see Him. We
can only wish we knew Him as He
really is; they will have the actual
experience.

And so, then, even those who since
last Christmas have passed from this
life, and who had put their faith in
Jesus Christ for light and salvation,
will even to a degree not possible
with us who remain, have also the
heavenly experience of being HOME
FOR CHRISTMAS.

—E. C. Williams.

—BR—

A WORTHY APPEAL

On another page is a letter from
a veteran missionary, Rev. John W.
Lowe. No word we could write could
add to what he says. Look it up and
read it. Then be a doer and not a
reader only.

—BR—

I have recently resigned my work
at Pleasant Grove in Lincoln county
and McCall Creek in Franklin to
accept the pastorate of County
Line and Pilgrim's Rest in Copiah
county. When I finished the last service
at McCall Creek, the members
gave my wife and me a beautiful
fifty-three piece china dinner set and
other gifts of remembrance. The
work and association with the people
of this field have been very pleasant.
—L. C. Hoff.

BAPTISTS SHOULD SUPPORT RADIO PROGRAM

The Baptist radio program begins
Sunday, January 2. We urge all who
can to listen in. Details are given
on another page. The list of speakers
announced should make every Baptist
want to listen in. They are among
our best.

Not only should we listen in but
there are two other things each listener
should do:

1. Write the station to which you
listen and thank them for carrying
the program. Naturally these stations
want to carry programs that attract
large numbers of listeners. If you
don't let them know you listened,
they won't know it. Write it on a
postal card—the cost is just one cent.

2. Write to your station for a copy
of each address. A postal card will
do.

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THE TRAINING UNION CONVENTION

Training Union Secretary Auber J.
Wilds has planned well for the annual
Training Union Convention which
meets at Calvary church, Jackson,
December 30-31. Complete details
have been given in The Baptist
Record.

Several Southwide speakers will
appear on the program. Many outstanding
Mississippi Training Union
workers will also have parts on the
program.

What better way to end 1943 than
to help Secretary Wilds and his associate,
Miss Sara Wallis, make the
1944 Training Union Convention the
best yet.

—BR—

CHRISTMAS

In a world bathed in blood, bowed
in grief and blackened by a war that
touches everyone, let us thank God
for Christmas and all that it means.
However cruel and cold war may
make us, we still love Christmas and
the things for which it stands.

Though some seem to forget it,
Christ is the central theme of Christmas.
As we gladly give to those we
love so did Christ give His life for
a lost and a sinning world. Christ
delights to shower good things upon
us just as we gladly shower our gifts
on others.

Let us be eternally thankful that
whatever of good or bad the war may
bring, it cannot take away Christmas
nor the love that goes with it.

War may kill some of our finer
feelings but it cannot kill Christ. We
may lose loved ones but Christ lives
on in heaven and in our hearts
forever.

Thank God for Christmas.

—BR—

A nice club of subscriptions has
been recently received from H. N.
Brelaud, church clerk, Neely, Miss.

MY CHRISTMAS SERMONETTE By Dr. Barry B. Hall

God sent His Son to earth to make
a new world. He found it up-side-
down; He came to set it right-side-up.
He found it dominated by the spirit
of the jungle; He came to give it a
new spirit, even the spirit of Christ.
He came to heal the ills of humanity,
to open the eyes of the blind, to
heal the sick, to drive secular and
spiritual error from the minds of
men, to feed the hungry, to relieve
the oppressed and to bring the utmost
of good to the forgotten men of
the earth, by redeeming them in body,
mind and soul. Jesus heartily began
this work of love and put His spirit
into the hearts of His followers, who
are now carrying on this Godlike
work on a world-wide scale. Multitudes
of blind are made to see and millions
more never go blind because of medical
science. Disease is rapidly
disappearing from the earth, the span
of life is ever lengthened and most
men no longer need die young. Our
schools and churches are driving error
from the minds of men and ignorance,
like vapor, is passing away. Physical
slavery is no more and economic
slavery is vanishing before the onslaughts
of the sons of God. Woman has been
lifted from obscurity and burden-bearing
and has become the glory of civilization,
and men are learning that their superior
talents and surplus wealth are only
held in trust to be invested in fullness
of life for all men, by furnishing
jobs at living wages, by financing human
endeavors and by keeping the wheels
of industry turning. Today our material
standards of life are so very high that
non-Christian countries simply cannot
understand it. Non-Christian countries
are still blind, sick, oppressed, always
hungry, are still suffering all the ills
the flesh is heir to: only Christian
nations have been so greatly lifted and
blessed. But the sons of God have
not yet furled their flags; but are
ever seeking out the strongholds of
heathen darkness and suffering, and
the blessings of Christ, God's great
Christian gift, are beginning to gladden
the hearts of men, even in darkest
Africa; and these Christ-minded men
will not stop until non-Christian
nations shall be utterly lifted out of
darkness into fullness of life; until
they are redeemed in body, mind and
soul. Was there ever given such a
Christmas gift to gladden the hearts
of all men everywhere? O, thou loving
and lovable Christ; thou art indeed
the very heart of God! And all nations
shall be made glad because of thee!

SOS

J. E. Dillard

Save Oh Save. Our hearts are
set on having a debtless denomination
by December 31.

Short Only Seventeen thousand
dollars of our goal (estimate for
December 24).

Strive on Sunday to get club dues
paid and extra dollars given.

Send on Something immediately
so as to reach us in time

Shout or Sob on January 1—

Which shall it be?

It's up to you and me

Count on me

Debt Free in '43

J. E. D.

NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI HIGHLIGHTS

For some time it has been the opinion of the writer that pastors should not be so modest in giving out news of the gracious blessings of God on their churches. If He is good enough to bless us ought not we to be good enough to share the news of that blessings with others. It might encourage them to go and do likewise.

But regardless of my opinion and others, some still are reluctant to give out this good news for fear some will say they are "boasters" and "braggers." All right, then, brethren, let me be the "goat." Let me do your so-called "bragging" for you. Maybe I'm in a better position to do it than you. You send me the facts and I'll do the boasting in The Baptist Record. Of course, no one will know whether you sent them to me or I just gleaned them from Association minutes.

Just call my attention to any "highlight" in Northeast Mississippi by any individual, church or Association. We will not waste any time or space with the "lowlights." They are already too much in evidence. And, anyway, the "other crowd" will give them plenty of publicity.

As a beginning here are some things gleaned:

Calvary church, Tupelo, gave last associational year \$17,018 (about 60%) to Missions while they used \$12,259 (about 40%) at home. For the last few current months they have given approximately 70% to outside causes. They gave per capita (roll) \$50 approximately and per capita (resident) \$60 approximately. They gave \$34.46 per resident member to missions. Shoot at that one ALL ye other Mississippi pilgrims. Dr. F. M. Powell is pastor.

Chickasaw county Association saw at least one baptism in each church in the association.

Nettleton Baptist Church, Lee county, has been without a pastor over a year and yet during that time they have not failed to have preaching. They have been most consistent in sending 20% to the Cooperative Program. And probably most remarkable of all they have adopted and paid their \$300 quota to the Now Club. That's better than a lot of churches have done with pastors. Of course they have the EVERY FAMILY Plan though.

Fulton, Itawamba county, has long had a group of loyal Missionary Baptists but because of church conditions there they have been denied proper encouragement in a missionary way. They have now come together and organized a new church (Trinity Baptist Church) and have called Rev. F. V. McFatrige as pastor. Proof of the fact that they are to be a cooperating Southern Baptist Church is some recent actions of their body. Before they were four months old as a body they had set a definite percent of their income to go to the Cooperative Program. They had taken an offering for the Now Club and one for state missions. And now they have adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record.

A baby that starts that way will soon be grown.

JAS. B. RAY,
Enlistment Pastor.

BLACK JACK CHURCH



Black Jack church, Yazoo county, celebrated its 100th anniversary on November 15. Neighboring churches were represented; and three former pastors, W. S. Landrum, T. F. Stroud and Bryan Simmons, were present. The church was decorated with Boston ferns and baskets of yellow chrysanthemums.

The pastor, Dr. A. A. Kitchings, was master of ceremonies. The morning exercises was taken up with the history of the church and its auxiliaries. Two persons present had been members of Black Jack church for over 58 years.

Mrs. W. T. Dixon read greetings from several former pastors who could not attend, and who expressed an interest in the activities and the progress of the church. A. N. Nichols, present Sunday school superintendent, gave the history of the Sunday

School; Miss Ernie Dixon, first president of the W. M. S., gave the history of the W. M. S.; Mrs. Ward Pepper gave the history of the B. T. U.; R. L. Fisher told of the building of the present church building. Mrs. Rosa Pepper told of some of the outstanding revival meetings of the church; Mrs. I. S. Dixon gave the activities of the church in 1943; W. L. Wilson, church treasurer, made a report on church finances; and Peter Stubblefield gave the history of Black Jack church.

During the noon hour, a bountiful, old-fashioned basket dinner was served in the dining room in the church basement.

In the afternoon addresses were made by W. S. Landrum, T. F. Stroud and Dr. Bryan Simmons, former pastors.—Reporter.

TO THE SMALLER CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS Woodrow W. Clark

First, I want to express myself as not being critical of Christ's churches which are humbly seeking God's directing hand; but I render some thoughts that might prove helpful. God uses a great deal of common practicability in applying His will, and surely He expects His people to use common discretion in seeking it. I write this to those of our country, village, and small town churches who are without pastors, and ask some questions:

Question 1—How long have you been without a pastor, and why?

Is it because God's ideal has not been sent to you, or that God has sent your ideal somewhere else? Is Christ's church complete without a pastor? Do you believe that praying is the only thing to do about it, or are you willing to do a little investigating along with God? We have dozens of God-called preachers at Mississippi College and Clarke Memorial College available every Sunday but they are not being used. They do get street preaching experience, but they need experience in church leadership and community soul-winning. You may feel that you cannot use them if they do not have years of experience, but they cannot get ordained experience unless you, Christ's churches, ordain them, teach them, and make sacrifices for them.

Question 2—Do you realize that a vast number of our better qualified preachers are in the armed forces?

You want a seminary graduate and a resident pastor. There are just not

enough to go the round. Many churches are now without pastors because they have set scholastic attainment standards their pastors must have, and these demands cannot be met under the present wartime conditions. Let not the harvest of souls in your community be neglected. No one of us wants any blood on our hands because of neglect parented by failures to find a little better than God's available best. Use what you have or the best that you can find of God's, but do not seek for an improbability. Or do you feel an urge to wait a half-year or more?

Question 3—Can you use a student pastor?

Some say "No. We do not like to be practiced on." God's Spirit is still the power of the Gospel, and a "practicing" might be instrumental in saving a multitude of precious souls, and the honest endeavor, though poorly executed, may bring a truth to your hearts with unprecedented power.

We have here young men who would be more of a pastor than you dream, who have hearts yearning for your fellowship, and who have the dignity of God's Being in their demeanor. We invite you, we urge you, we pray that you can be led, to find and accept God's best that can be provided NOW. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few..." Matt. 9:37-38.

The Analogy

The cry: "Lord, send us some one who can pick 300 pounds of cotton a day!"

The answer: "My man can pick only 150 pounds a day, but he can gather the harvest."—Clinton, Miss.

BOARD EMPLOYEES ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

All Convention Board employees look forward to the annual Christmas dinner given by Dr. and Mrs. McCall. Although a little early, the dinner was held on Saturday, December 11, at the Waltham Hotel. The early date was selected in order to insure the presence of some who could not attend at a later date.

In addition to a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, an enjoyable program had been prepared by a committee composed of: Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, Miss Nettie Ree Traylor and Miss Doris Wiggins. Sunday School Secretary E. C. Williams added much to the life of the party as M. C. (master of ceremonies.)

It was found that not only are the office workers good bookkeepers and stenographers, but good poets and musicians. As evidence, we give below a four-stanza song which was sung by two of the office force:

In the year of '39
Scotchie came to town
Margie riding by his side
Trying to hold him down.

Hold that preacher down, Marj
Hold that preacher down,
Mississippi Baptists hold that
preacher down.

Fannie had a birthday, too
And was she surprised
To find so many lovely gifts
A-lying by her side

Happy birthday, Fannie, dear
Don't you shed a tear
Every time you have one
It adds another year.

Arthur and Evie live on the farm
And do they feed us well
Turnip greens and cracklin' bread
To us they never sell.

EVERY FAMILY Plan—folks
EVERY FAMILY Plan—
Lay that dollar down—folks
And join the E. F. Plan.

Clayton goes a-fishing
So we have been told
With resiliency
In his fishing pole.

What is this resiliency?
What is this big word?
Clayton Williams uses lots
But Webster never heard.

"FIRST NIGHTER" TO PRESENT SEVENTH REPEAT PERFORMANCE OF "THE LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM" ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

A tradition of more than thirteen years standing has been the First Nighter policy of presenting each original play written expressly for radio. Notable exception has been the repeat performance at Christmas-time of Anthony Wayne's "The Little Town of Bethlehem," edited and adapted for First Nighter by Florence Ward.

On Sunday, December 26, the seventh performance of this Christmas classic will be presented on Campana's First Nighter in response to requests from people of all beliefs, including many clergymen. First Nighter is presented Sundays over WGN and the Mutual network from 5 to 5:30 p. m. (CWT).

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO YOU

'Tis Christmas Day. Time bears along,
The Miracle of Ages still.
Again we hear the angels' song:
"Glory to God; to men, good-will."
And peace! His peace! His promised
peace!—
Oh, may we fully comprehend,
How LOVE like His will never cease,—
The "encircling gloom" will lift,
Dear Friend.

Margaret McRae Lackey.

146 Wacaster
Jackson, Miss.

We are happy to share with all of
you Miss Lackey's Christmas mes-
sage. I know many of you will re-
member her with either a Christmas
card or New Year's greeting.

Important

Mississippi's quota of Royal Service
subscriptions for 1943 is 6750 and we
had sent 6535 through November 30.
You can readily see that we lack 215
reaching our goal. Even though we
are in the midst of the holiday sea-
son, please stop right now and renew
your expired subscription or send in
a new subscription if you are not a
subscriber at present. Do not let
December pass without doing this.
Thank you.

Abe Martin said, "Father Time allus
steps along purty lively, but he cer-
tainly exceeds th' speed limit between
Thankgivin' an' Christmas." As we
prepare this page for publication and
realize that it will be January 5th
before another number of The Bap-
tist Record will go to you, we agree
with Abe in the fact that Father Time
exceeds the speed limit this time of
the year. We are planning to have a
a helper in each association during
the month of January, at which time
the Year Book will be studied. The
discussions will be based on Prayer,
Study, Tithes and Offerings, Mission-
ary Education of Young People and
Community Missions. Study the
dates and places for the meetings
and go to the one nearest you.

Dates and Places For January Institutes

(Unless otherwise informed by your
superintendent, the meeting will be-
gin at 10:00 and close at 2:30.)

Miss Mary Christian, Helper

Jan. 10—Deer Creek, Leland.
Jan. 11—Bolivar, Cleveland.
Jan. 12—Leflore, Greenwood First.
Jan. 13—Sunflower, Moorhead.
Jan. 14—Tunica-Coahoma, Marks.
Jan. 17—DeSoto, Hernando.
Jan. 18—Tate, Coldwater.
Jan. 19—Panola, Batesville.
Jan. 20—Marshall, Holly Springs.
Jan. 21—Lafayette, Oxford.
Jan. 24—Lowndes, Columbus First.
Jan. 25—Oktibbeha, Starkville.
Jan. 26—Choctaw, Ackerman.
Jan. 27—Jackson, First Baptist.

Miss Wilma Bucy, Helper

Jan. 10—Union, New Albany.
Jan. 11—Tippah, Ripley.
Jan. 12—Alcorn, Corinth First.
Jan. 13—Tishomingo, Iuka.
Jan. 14—Prentiss, Wheeler.
Jan. 17—Monroe, Aberdeen.
Jan. 18—Lee, Tupelo First.

Jan. 19—Pontotoc, Pontotoc.
Jan. 20—Chickasaw, Okolona.
Jan. 21—Zion (no plans at present).

Miss Edna Hickman, Helper

Jan. 5—Jeff Davis, Prentiss.
Jan. 6—Lawrence, Monticello.
Jan. 7—Walthall, Tylertown.
Jan. 10—Rankin, Richland.
Jan. 11—Simpson, Magee.
Jan. 13—Jasper (place not named
at present).
Jan. 14—Newton, Decatur.
Jan. 17—Neshoba, Philadelphia.
Jan. 18—Kemper, DeKalb.
Jan. 19—Noxubee, Macon.
Jan. 21—Scott, Forest.
Jan. 22—Smith, Raleigh.
Jan. 24—Winston, Louisville.
Jan. 25—Calhoun, Bruce.
Jan. 26—Tallahatchie (place not
named at present).

Jan. 27—Yalobusha (no plans at
present).

Jan. 28—Kosciusko, Kosciusko.

Miss Edwina Robinson, Helper

Jan. 7—Copiah, Hazlehurst.
Jan. 10—Holmes, Lexington.
Jan. 11—Montgomery (no plans).
Jan. 12—Carroll (no plans).
Jan. 13—Grenada, Grenada.
Jan. 17—Lauderdale, Meridian First.
Jan. 18—Jones, Laurel First.
Jan. 19—Lebanon, Hattiesburg 1st.
Jan. 20—Gulf Coast, Gulfport 1st.
Jan. 21—Jackson (place not named
at present).

Jan. 24—Pearl River, Poplarville.

Jan. 26—Yazoo, Yazoo City.

Miss Fannie Traylor, Helper

Jan. 7—Leake, Carthage.
Jan. 10—Covington, Seminary.
Jan. 11—Wayne, Waynesboro.
Jan. 12—Greene, Leakesville.
Jan. 13—George, Lucedale.
Jan. 14—Perry (no plans at pres-
ent).
Jan. 17—Marion, Bunker Hill.
Jan. 18—Pike, Central Baptist, Mc-
Comb.
Jan. 19—Franklin, Bude.
Jan. 20—Madison, Canton.
Jan. 24—Union, Fayette.
Jan. 25—Lincoln, Brookhaven.
Jan. 26—Mississippi, Liberty.

Hotel Tivoli

Lisbon, Portugal
Oct. 16, 1943

Dear Friends:

Just as I was going through cus-
toms I was shown a letter but I
couldn't have it until it passed the
censor. When I received it after
supper I found this verse in it and
it has meant much to me: "When
He putteth forth His own sheep, He
goeth before them." Truly He has
gone before us and I know He is lead-
ing now. He gave to us a calm sea
all the way, beautiful sunny days,
gorgeous moonlight nights, sweet fel-
lowship with His people, hours of
relaxation and rest, and above all
the peace that passeth understand-
ing. Several times we passed ships
and I guess the captain knew whether
they were enemy or friend but we
eagerly watched them. One morning
we passed very close to another ship
and two planes circled overhead sev-
eral times. The ship was Portuguese
and the planes American.

The Joao Belo, on which I sailed, is
not a large boat and this trip had
only about one hundred and twenty
passengers. There were forty-two
missionaries representing eight
Boards. Only fourteen of us are
China-bound, four are Southern Bap-
tists. Others have gone ahead of
us and more are waiting to follow.
So you see I'm not alone. There were
a number of British people including
a good-sized group of children, sev-
eral of whom are traveling alone to
England. The accommodations on
the boat were the worst I've had ex-
cept on little coast boats in China.
There were four of us in a tiny cabin
meant for six according to the num-
ber of bunks, but only for two ac-
cording to size. Our bunks measured
twenty-two and one-half inches in
width and by stretching I could al-
most touch both ends. How some
of the tall people slept I don't know.
One night one tall man put some
paper on the floor of his cabin and
slept there.

The food was different, too. Break-
fast at eight was tea or coffee,
crackers, cookies, bread, butter and
jam. Lunch at 12:30 was soup, fish
and potatoes (usually boiled), meat
and some vegetable, tea and fruit.
Tea at four was same as breakfast
minus bread and jam. Supper at
7:30 was a duplicate of lunch. We all
got so tired of fish. My table was an
interesting one. There were two of
us missionaries, another missionary
couple to Africa, Mr. and Mrs. Kuglin,
and another young newly married cou-
ple, the Lemaire. Mr. Kuglin's par-
ents came from Germany, his wife's
from Switzerland; Mrs. Lemaire's
from Hungary, and Mr. Lemaire is a
Belgian. Our conversations were
composed of English, German, French,
African, Portuguese and Chinese with
a great deal of sign language thrown
in. Of course we all spoke English
but it was fun using the others,
too.

Every morning we had a devotional
at ten, and we all got together on
deck after supper each evening to
sing. Every other night someone told
of his Board's work in Africa or
China. These meetings were inform-
ing as well as inspirational. On Sun-
day at ten we had church service in
the first class lounge. During the
week days we had a class at nine for
the children. Recreation included
walking the deck, talking, teasing,
reading and playing dominoes. I am
very proud of myself as a sailor for
once. Only a few times I felt a little
"woozy" but wasn't sick once. We
were all happy to see land several
days before we got to Portugal. It
was one of the Azores islands. Then
there was much hilarity on Monday
night the eleventh, when at 7:15 we
saw the lights of Portugal. We stayed
on deck and watched as more and
more appeared. The next morning
we were up early to finish packing.
We were off the boat at about 9:30
and got through the customs with
no difficulty. We were most for-
tunate to get a nice room here at
the hotel. God has led the way thus

far and here we wait for the lifting
of the cloud before we move on. We
shall be here until the middle of
November at least. We met a group
of missionaries here who have been
waiting five weeks and they are to
sail next Tuesday.

Lisbon is a strange city and yet
somehow we don't feel strange. More
than once I've had feeling of being
in China in a big city. The streets
are cobblestone, the street cars are
nearly all small and like Toonerville
Trolley, the autos are little Austins
in size and go like the wind, street
vendors go barefoot and carry their
wares on their heads; there are tables
and chairs on the sidewalks where
you can stop for a drink or ice cream;
the people nearly all live in apart-
ment houses built right up to the
sidewalks and which are blue, yellow,
green, white, pink in color.

Wednesday night a group of us
went to the Baptist church. In the
preceding week they had a series of
meetings and ninety-one decisions for
Christ were made. There were about
two hundred and fifty people at the
service that night. Several of the
missionaries spoke, in French, others
in English. They asked Jessie Green
to tell simply her experience on a
bombed boat at Wuchow. She is not
a pretty woman but when she spoke
her face was radiant and beautiful.
A Portuguese missionary to his own
people, who is supported by Baptists
in Brazil, interpreted for her.

Yesterday afternoon our China
group had a lovely experience. We
were invited for tea at the home of
the Chinese minister to Portugal. He
doesn't look Chinese at all. He is an
ordained minister, was principal of
the Pooi Ching Boys School in Can-
ton for five years, and has taught in
our University of Shanghai. His wife
was a student at Pooi To Girls School
and attended the Cantonese Baptist
Church in Shanghai. They know
many of our missionaries. It was a
thrill to know that China sends this
type of Christian person as her rep-
resentative in a foreign land.

One afternoon we went to the Car-
riage Museum and saw 28 carriages
used by kings and emperors. One
was 361 years old. They are still
beautiful even in decay and look as
if they'd come out of a story book.
One style looked like Cinderella's
coach. We also went through an old
cathedral, dusty, dirty, dark and un-
used except for a little section. It
was begun in 1500 and is in memory
of the discoveries made by Portuguese
seamen.

I could write on and on but space
does not permit. I know that even
though this will be a mimeographed
letter and seemingly impersonal, it is
a personal letter to each one and
carries with it my heart's love for
you. I think of you and know you
are remembering me. God bless you
as you hold the ropes at home.

Lovingly,

WILMA WEEKS.

% Dr. R. E. Beddoe,
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GOING PLACES

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b:
"Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL."
Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



REV. R. R. DARBY

Union Senior Church, Covington County, is No. 688

Union Senior church, Covington county is one of the latest additions to the EVERY FAMILY list. Rev. R. R. Darby of Seminary is pastor. Several people have spoken in a complimentary way of his work there. He began his pastorate in May. Since that time he has led the church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan and is leading in a program for building a Sunday school annex.

Covington county Record readers are now listed as follows: COLLINS 45; LEAF RIVER 36; MT. HOREB 33; MT. OLIVE 82; Ora 2; SALEM 120; SANFORD 25; WILLIAMSBURG 31; LEBANON 23, and UNION SENIOR 65.

HENLEYFIELD, PEARL RIVER COUNTY, IS NO. 678

The Paper Makes No Difference

Pastor J. N. Holloway sends the welcome news that his church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan. He also mentions the fact that the paper on which the letter was written was not socially correct.

He stated that he prayed over the matter and presented it to the church and they gladly accepted it. That is an unbeatable situation. The letter follows:

"Please excuse this paper. I don't have the correct writing paper here where I am, so I will use this in order to get this in the mail this morning. Our church here at Henleyfield has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan for The Baptist Record. I have been talking it and praying about it for a while. Sunday I presented it and they gladly accepted my suggestion.

"I am sending the list. There will be a few more names to send in later."

Record readers in Pearl River county are listed as follows: BETHEL 38; Carriere 2; CORINTH 59; GAINESVILLE 12; GOODYEAR 37; JUNIPER GROVE 59; NAPOLEON 29; NEW PALESTINE 20; NICHOLSON 18; PICAYUNE FIRST 228; PINE GROVE 60; POPLARVILLE 158; ROSELAND PARK 21; UNION 70; Spring Hill 1; McNeil 3, and HENLEYFIELD 25.

Chester Is Number 684

Another nice list of subscriptions comes from E. D. Estes. This time it's from Chester church in Choctaw county. It seems that Brother Estes can make a better appeal than the Circulation Manager. A few years ago we thought we made a good speech to the people at Chester, but it did not seem to take. And now Brother Estes comes along and gets results. How thankful we are for these good enlistment pastors.

Record readers for Choctaw county are listed as follows: ACKERMAN 79; Antioch 1; Bethany 2; BLYTHE CREEK 14; CHESTER 12; Covenant 7; Fellowship 2; French Camp 1; MT. MORIAH 12; New Zion 2 Mt. Pisgah 6; Providence 1; McCurtains 7; WEIR 60; Wood Springs 1; EBENEZER 12.

Evangelist Hilbun Aids Record

Dear Bro. Goodrich,

Last Saturday I spoke at Pine Grove and Beulah, Simpson county, and presented The Baptist Record. Today I received this letter from Bro. Moulder that I am enclosing to you. I trust you will receive the list from each church soon. I shall continue to do my best for the Record and I think you are giving us a fine paper.

Sincerely yours,

B. S. HILBUN.

Dear Bro. Hilbun:

The church at Pine Grove voted to send The Baptist Record to all resident families. There are forty-five homes. The clerk of the church said he would send the names to me or The Baptist Record office after next Sunday.

The church at Beulah will see about taking the paper next meeting day.

Yours,

D. W. MOULDER.

—BR—

Collins

Pastor Mack Jones is on the shelf for a few weeks and we had the privilege of preaching for him last Sunday. The work continues to grow under his ministry. And each year sees advances made over the previous year.

The house was well filled for the service and we had the privilege of being the luncheon guest of Brother and Mrs. E. B. McRaney.

Record readers in Covington county are listed as follows: COLLINS 45; LEAF RIVER 36; MT. HOREB 33; MT. OLIVE 82; Ora 2; SALEM 120; SANFORD 25; WILLIAMSBURG 31; LEBANON 23; and UNION SR. 65.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

January

Evangelism—

Soul Winning Revival—January 23-February 6—Laurel.

Hyman Appelman, Evangelist.

Three-Day Evangelistic Conference—January 24-26—Laurel.

Cooperative Program Emphasis.

Now Club Emphasis.

Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.

Tithes and Offerings.

Daily Bible Reading.

Mississippi Baptists will owe no MORE November First, 1944.

S. S.—Statewide Associational Officers Meeting.

W. M. U.—Institutes for Study of W. M. U. Year-Book.

B. T. U.—Statewide Simultaneous Meetings January 24.

Associational Executive Committee Meetings.



These "prophets," recent graduates of Blue Mountain College, are with honor in their home town of Meridian, where they are educational directors of churches. Left to right: Evelyn Moore, Southside; Dorothy Gilbert, Fifteenth Avenue; Dorothy Wallace, Highland.

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Dr. Chester M. Savage

Called and Accepted

H. L. McLearn, Giddings, Texas
Victor Connelly, Calvary, Hannibal, Mo.
Elgin West, Antioch, Attala County, Miss.

C. S. Thomas, Daniels Church, Jackson, Miss.

E. I. Farr, Wilmer, Ala.

L. D. Ball, Immanuel, San Angelo, Texas

Joe W. Bailey, Vivian, La.

W. Perry Crouch, 1st, Asheville, N.C.

M. H. Rhodes, Greensboro, Ala.

Grayson Tension, Calvary, Post, Tex.

C. D. Cole, Morton's Gap, Ky.

M. G. M. Hatler, Princeton, Ky.

M. L. Delk, Pleasant Hill, La.

W. R. Vestal, Searcy, Ark.

Karl McClendon, Neosho, Mo.

W. C. Rowe, Rector, Ark.

B. D. Hardin, Oak Grove, Meridian, Miss.

C. J. Alford, LaGrange, Ky.

Wyman E. Wood, Boyce, Louisville, Ky.

S. L. Branham, Alexandria, Ky.

Thurman Arnold, Grove City, Knoxville, Tenn.

Vincel Lambert, Albany, Mo.

Ernest Waite, Fortuna, Mo.

Resigned

D. J. Selby, Laclede, Mo.

Victor Connelly, Bonne Terre, Mo.

J. S. Deaton, Daniels, Jackson Miss.

Joe W. Bailey, Trinidad, Texas

L. D. Ball, Brady, Texas

W. Perry Crouch, Fayetteville, N. C.

R. A. Griffin, Lockhart, S. C.

C. D. Cole, Lucerne Park, Orlando, Fla.

A. L. Gatewood, North, Lafayette, La.

W. R. Vestal, Star City, Ark.

B. D. Hardin, Sunflower, Miss.

H. G. M. Hatler, Hazard, Ky.

D. W. Lindsey, Grove City, Knoxville, Tenn.

Hugh R. Peterson, Sonora, Ky.

O. L. Oberlin, Buffalo, Ky.

Walter Davenport, Harrisburg, Mo.

J. P. Grant 1st, Moberly, Mo.

Vincel Lambert, Fairfax, Mo.

C. M. Massey, Lyerly, Ga.

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MRS. DICIE NEWTON

The many friends of Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hill Baptist church, Atlanta, Georgia, will sympathize with him in the home going of his mother, Mrs. Dicie Newton. She passed away on Saturday, November 27, at the home of another son, Ralph G. Newton, of Macon, Georgia, an outstanding physician of that city. Her husband passed away a few years ago.

AN EMERGENCY LETTER

Dear Brother Pastor:

The calls are urgent and the time is limited. I think World Relief should have precedence at such a time as this. War, Want and Winter Won't Wait.

Just as a volunteer worker with the F. M. B., I am writing to many pastors, urging them to join me at once in a voluntary effort to get \$20,000 for World Relief as soon as possible. It can be done. An offering on New Year, the Day of Prayer, would help greatly. Better make Christmas and New Year gifts to the emaciated on famine fields than to the satiated here at home.

The offerings for relief from churches, schools, homes and individuals are pouring in. Total offerings to December 1—\$434,467. Let us make it \$500,000 by the New Year.

Famine conditions in the Orient and on other fields are appalling. Thousands of our fellow Christians in many lands are starving at this sad hour. That means irreparable loss to the kingdom of God. The blood of these and other millions of victims will be upon us who have selfishly stuffed ourselves while others starved.

We are now rejoicing over the return of several "old China hands" to Free China. These are Drs. G. W. Strothers and B. L. Nichols, Misses Lucy Wright, Wilma Weeks, Lorene Tilford, Jessie Green, Aurice Pender and Thelma Williams. Millions of famine sufferers will be looking to them and to us for food and medicines. Only one in five of our churches made an offering for relief last year. We must do better during next year. I fear our indifference to the physical needs of humanity foretells our indifference to spiritual needs also. So, my soul is troubled. We must not fail humanity nor Him who said, "Give ye them to eat."

We do well to recall the declaration of Madam Chian Kai-Shek regarding famine conditions: "I am putting my heart into the movement to save the children of China." How about putting our hearts into the movement to save the children of the world? Let us endeavor to enlist all our people in this kingdom work.

All must find a way to make a worthy offering to relief. I heard Bill Marshall relate how the students, attending B. S. U. Conventions this year, went without one meal on Saturday that they might make the cost of the meal as an offering to relief. That spirit would meet the physical and spiritual needs of the world.

Yours devotedly,

JOHN LOWE.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST SOUL WINNING RIV LAUREL, McCOMB, JACKSON, COLUMBIS,

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

General Chairman

Appelman Evangelistic Campaign

Dear Brother Chairman:

Under God, you have the most responsible position of any man in our coming Crusade for Christ and the souls of men in your gracious city. May I be permitted to make some humble prayerful suggestions.

1. Please call together all the preachers and other Christian leaders involved and elect or appoint the following committees—Campaign, Housing, Location and Structure, Program, Publicity, Music, Extension, Radio, Ushers, Personal Work, Prayer Meetings, Finance, Parking, Sunday School, Women's Work, Men's Work, Young People's Work. If you believe it will help, please send me the names of the chairmen and I shall be glad to write each a note.

2. Call together a meeting of all these committees and explain publicly, fully the duties of each. Please give the enclosed letters to the various chairmen named.

3. About a month before the meeting, call them together again for reports and inspiration. About two weeks, or very early in the one week before the campaign do this again and check up and finish up last details, leaving nothing undone.

4. You will note that there are no letters for some of the committees. That is not an oversight. Some of the preparation can be handled locally without any suggestions from the evangelist. The thing to do as far as possible is to see that each group functions at its best.

You and I will, God grant it, work very prayerfully, very closely together. If there is the slightest way in which I can be of help to you, please write me. Let us even now covenant together in daily prayer for each other, for the campaign. God bless you, lead you, empower you, use you.

Prayerfully yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman Prayer Committee,
Appelman Evangelistic Campaign

Dear Brother Chairman:

Your chairmanship of the Prayer Meeting Committee is undoubtedly one of the most responsible positions in the matter of preparing for our revival. May I make some prayerful suggestions?

Have a meeting with all of the pastors, all of the Sunday school superintendents, all of the Young People's Directors, all of the Women's Work Presidents, putting the matter of prayer on their hearts. Divide your territory into districts, by churches. In these districts let the pastors and the other above officers arrange for widely distributed once or twice each day prayer meetings for at least two weeks, by preference one whole month, before the commencement of the campaign. Use every available means to advertise and insure large attendance in these prayer periods. Do not let any excuse stand in the way, please.

During the campaign, please arrange, if at all possible, that is, if the place where we hold the meeting will permit, three prayer meeting groups for the thirty minutes preceding the evening service, adults, young people and intermediates, juniors and younger. Stress these hard; get the leaders to announce them frequently in the churches, and the attendance will, I am sure, warrant the trouble.

It might be wise to print placards for the different churches, put up in conspicuous places, bearing the title APPELMAN EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN, the times of the services, dates and hours, urging prayer for: I. THE HOLY SPIRIT. II. CROWDS OF CHRISTIANS AND UNSAVED. III. THE REVIVING OF GOD'S PEOPLE. IV. THE SALVATION OF THE LOST, announcing also the times and places of the special pre-service prayer meetings during the campaign.

If there is anything I can do to help you in all this, please do not hesitate to call upon me. God lead you in all this. Please pray for me.

Sincerely yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman,
Women's Work Committee,
City Wide Revival

Dear Sister Chairman:

Under God, I do not know of any committee connected with a revival that is more important than the one of which you are head. May the Holy Spirit of God use you in a mighty way during our coming days of, please God, victory and conquest. May I make some humble, prayerful suggestions?

First, your committee, in a great measure, ought to be responsible for the attendance upon the day services. In other places because of the conditions of work, women have of course been pre-dominant in attendance during the day hours. Missionary Societies have taken it upon themselves to promote these. You will know from the brethren just what time of the day these services will be held. As a matter of fact, you ought to be heard very definitely in the deciding upon the time. Take a part in the arrangement of these.

Second, call a meeting of all the pastors and of all of the leaders of all the women's classes, Sunday school, week day Bible, etc., as well as of all of the missionary circles and organizations. Get every possible leader to attend this meeting. Sell them the idea (1) of the great contribution they can make in the day services; (2) of the spiritual uplift they can give in attendance upon the evening prayer meetings; (3) of the much advertising, inviting, visiting they can do to promote the greatest possible attendance in the night meetings.

Third, in all probability, most of the effort in pre-revival cottage prayer meetings will in a great part depend on the work of your committee. May I suggest that you work very closely in co-operation with the chairmen of the Cottage Prayer Meetings Committee, with the Personal Workers Group, with the Sunday School Leadership, with the Young People's Promotion.

I am certain, as we all pray, that the Holy Spirit of God will give you many more suggestions. Follow them out to the limit. This all may seem mechanical to you, but the Lord told others to roll away the stone. These things have been blessed of God mightily in many hard fought, tremendously victorious crusades.

God bless you and your committee definitely and mightily in all this. I should suggest that you call the meeting of the group contemplated in the second point at least two weeks, perhaps even longer, before the actual meeting begins.

Prayerfully yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman, Committee,
Young People's Organizations,

Dear Brother Chairman:

May the Holy Spirit of God use you in a mighty way to organize your committee for a real work before and during our revival. Surely there can be no overestimating the importance of your detail. In other places, the young people have rendered yeoman's service in an effective, victorious way. May I make some humble suggestions to you?

First, be dead sure to get at least one or two would be better, representative from each church to serve in cooperation with your committee. These should be chosen by the pastors from among those who are actively engaged in the leading of the young people in their local church program. If possible, never have a committee meeting without inviting these also.

Second, arrange for special young people's nights, Sunday nights by preference, or, as a second choice, Monday nights. Perhaps, on second thought Monday night would be best. Give them some sort of a challenging name. Advertise them in every possible way. Hang up a good sized poster in each church before and during the meeting stressing this part of the program.

Third, there should be a nightly thirty minutes prayer-devotional inspirational meeting of these groups, either (1) a group from the age of 13 through 25 with their teachers and officers, and another group between the ages of 6 and 12, or (2) a general meeting of all these young people. These will be led either by the evangelist, by the song leader, by my wife, if she is along, or by some other choice, effective leader of young people chosen by the group specified in the first point.

Have at least two meetings of this first group before the meeting. The week before the Crusade, be dead sure to write each pastor and each general director of each church a letter covering all of these points, stressing the importance of selling all of the above to their churches both during the Sunday school periods, during the morning service, during the evening service, and especially to the young people's groups themselves.

Do not hesitate to go all out in whatever direction the Holy Spirit may lead you. You and your committee's work will pay dividends in precious souls. God bless you in all this.

Prayerfully yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

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REVIVAL - JANUARY 23 - APRIL 16, 1944

JACKSON, NEW ALBANY, AND CLARKSDALE

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman,
Sunday School Committee,
City Wide Revival.

Dear Brother Chairman:

There is no need of my telling you the tremendous importance of your chairmanship and of your committee. A great part of the success of the victory of our coming revival will depend upon your work and the work of your committee. May I make some humble suggestions that have worked victoriously, in the Holy Spirit, in other places?

First, let us make at least the two last Friday nights of the campaign great Sunday school rallies, calling one Victory Rally, the other Coronation Rally. These should be advertised very widely for weeks before the revival. It would be worth putting up signs, quite large, in all of the churches, telling about these rallies, keeping them there for some time before and during the entire duration of the meeting.

Second, use the general Sunday school organizations of all of the churches to promote attendance during the prayer meetings, both before and during the revival. I do not suppose that there is anywhere a more effective personal work advertising organization than the Sunday school. The Sunday schools alone could fill the largest hall in your town if they are properly directed and used.

Third, at least two months before the revival, call a meeting of all of the pastors, of all the Sunday school superintendents, of all of the other officers and teachers, to talk over plans for the campaign. Be sure to take up the above two items. There should be at least two of these meetings, one two weeks before the campaign begins. These leaders of the churches are the choicest, the best, the most effective workers we have anywhere. Under God, they alone could probably have a successful revival, and each one of them has a great following in the churches.

Fourth, the week before the revival, send a general, careful, exhaustive letter to each pastor and superintendent, reviewing these things, and urging them to press them hard on the hearts of their groups and churches.

The Holy Spirit will surely suggest many more thoughts to you as we all continue praying. Do not hesitate to go the limit in preparation and cooperation for and during the Crusade. God bless you in all this.

Sincerely yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman,
Personal Workers Committee,
Appelman Evangelistic Campaign

Dear Brother Chairman:

Under God, you are heading one of the very most important committees for our coming revival. You and I will have to work closely together, on our knees. May I make some humble suggestions?

Get from each pastor in the campaign a full list of men, women, young people who have done, or who would be willing to do personal work in the congregation during the invitation, and in the Inquiry Room after the services. Get the list almost at once, addresses, telephone numbers, business addresses and telephone numbers. In person, by mail, by phone, call them together for a meeting in some easiest accessible church, at least one month before the revival. Have one such meeting every week during the four weeks following. Have a lengthy season of prayer. Urge them to read through the Book of Acts, the Gospel of John, the Book of Romans, as many times as possible. After prayer, during these four meets, talk about the best way to approach an unsaved person, a backslider, an unenlisted Christian, whose church membership is out of the city.

When you find out where the meetings are to be held, have one session out there. Divide the auditorium very carefully and assign definite places for the personal workers, scattering them widely and wisely. It might be an advantage to work with the chairman of the Ushers Committee, and pick out ushers from among your group of personal workers. Please arrange also for a meeting of all the officers, teachers, etc., etc., personal workers of every kind in every church for the first Tuesday night of the meeting after the services. We want all the deacons, clerks, W. M. U. leaders, T. U. officers, etc., in that meeting.

I should recommend very strongly that you purchase many hundreds of copies of that re-backed Gospel of John prepared especially for new Christians. Your state book store will get them for you. If you have any trouble about them, will you write me, and I shall order them for you. In the after meeting that first Tuesday night, I shall explain to the group, and I hope you will make it a tremendously large one, just how I give the invitation.

Of course in all this and through all this we must all feel our utter dependence upon the Holy Spirit. Let us keep on saturating the entire program in the strong supplications of our own private and public devotions. If there is any way in which I can be of further help,

825 Woodland Avenue
Fort Worth 4, Texas

Chairman,
Extension Committee,
Appelman Evangelistic Campaign

Dear Brother Chairman:

Thank God that you were placed as chairman of the important extension committee. Knowing your zeal and capacity, I am assured in my soul that you will do a great job. May I make some humble suggestions?

Our meeting starts very soon. It would be a wonderful thing if you were to make it possible for me to speak in the different schools of your city and county. When I was in Meridian, Mississippi, last year, they took me all over the county with the result that hundreds of precious souls came to know the Lord Jesus in the pardon of their sins.

I have written the chairman of the program committee suggesting that he get in touch with you to arrange for as much radio time as it is possible for us to obtain. I have made absolutely no commitment, knowing that that was in the province of you brethren. Radio time in addition to spreading the gospel is perhaps the most invaluable agency for advertising.

I have also been accustomed to speaking extensively to fraternal and civic organizations. As you know, they meet during the noon hour. A fellow has to eat somewhere, and even that period might as well be spent for the glory of the Lord and the promotion of our Crusade.

In some places I have had the privilege of going to shops and factories and stores, addressing groups of employees. Perhaps you can arrange this also.

If there is an army camp anywhere in the vicinity, and I am sure there must be, it has been afforded me to speak in chapel and camp theater services. Thus while in El Paso on Mother's Day last year, I preached in one of their theatres and saw over 200 accept Christ as their personal Saviour. The Wednesday before Thanksgiving last year, I preached in another theatre in the camp near Augusta, Georgia, and saw over 260 decide for the Lord Jesus Christ.

I shall be praying very earnestly that the Spirit of God may definitely lead you in this tremendously important committee. Your work will result in the salvation of many hundreds of souls. Please keep on praying for me.

Sincerely yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.

please call on me. Please pray for me ceaselessly.

Sincerely yours,

HYMAN J. APPELMAN.



Hyman Appelman, Evangelist

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CLIFTON R. TATE

In behalf of the Hinds-Warren Associational Baptist Training Union we extend to you a cordial invitation to attend the Mississippi Baptist Training Union Convention meeting in our association at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, December 30th and 31st. We hope you will accept this invitation and the hospitality of Calvary church and the Hinds-Warren Association and attend this convention.

You will receive inspiration to work harder in the training of yourself and others in the Lord's work. You will receive information that will help you solve many of your Training Union problems. You will receive the fellowship that can come only from meeting with other Training Union workers and leaders.

We are expecting YOU and a large delegation from your church. We assure you that you will receive a warm welcome to our association.

Clifton R. Tate, Director,
Hinds-Warren Associational
Baptist Training Union.



JAMES L. SULLIVAN

Dr. James L. Sullivan, pastor of Brookhaven Baptist Church, will be guest speaker Thursday night December 30th on our Convention program.

The Baptist Training Union of Calvary Baptist Church extends to you a cordial invitation to be with us in our State Training Union Convention, December 30-31. We are expecting this to be one of the greatest conventions ever held in the State of Mississippi, and we are looking forward to a full delegation. Many of our boys have been called into the service of our country since we last met, and they are looking to us to hold the banner high and carry on for them until they return. Let us not fail them, but work and pray as never before that God's will may be accomplished in our lives, and that His Kingdom may go forward on the home front.

Calvary welcomes you! We want you to know that we are anxious to do everything we can to make your visit with us a pleasant one.

Edna Carver,
Training Union Director,
Calvary Baptist Church.

PROGRAM

State Baptist Training Union Convention and Associational Officers Training Meeting Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi DECEMBER 30-31, 1943

Theme — "THY WILL BE DONE"

Thursday—Convention

- A. M.
10:00—Song, Scripture, Prayer.
10:15—Greetings by Host Church.
10:25—Our Theme—"Thy Will Be Done."
10:40—Story Hour Bible Stories—Beginners, Primaries.
11:00—Other Important Features in Story Hour Work—Mrs. W. Earl Clark.
11:10—Junior Memory Work Drill.
11:25—Other Important Features in Junior Union Work—Mrs. E. S. Cole.
11:35—Committees Appointed, Announcements, Offering.
11:50—Wanted, a Man—Secretary D. A. McCall.
12:20—The Violin.
12:30—Lunch Time.
P. M.
2:15—Song, Scripture, Prayer.
2:30—Intermediate Sword Drill.

- 2:45—Other Important Features in Intermediate Union Work—Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds.
2:55—Juvenile Talent Parade.
3:50—Special Feature for General Assembly Demonstrated:
1. Use of Flannel Board.
2. Illustrated Hymn.
3. Playlet.
4. Doctrinal Questions Answered.
5. Silhouette Program.
6. Book or Magazine Reviewed.
4:20—The Violin.
4:30—Recess.
7:00—Song Service, Scripture, Prayer.
7:30—Young People's Speaking Tournament.
8:15—Announcements, Committee Reports.
8:30—Youth—Our Hope of Tomorrow—Dr. James L. Sullivan.
9:00—The Violin.



REV. ROBERT S. CRAWFORD

Rev. Robert S. Crawford, "Brother Bob," pastor, Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., will lead the singing during the sessions of the State Training Union Convention, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, December 30-31.

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MRS. GEORGE PALMER

Mrs. George Palmer, 72, of Bethany, Mississippi, the mother of Rev. Clarence Palmer of Lamar, Mississippi, passed away December 4. She was preceded in death by her husband less than three months. Mrs. Palmer was converted at the age of 10 at school, and had been a member in the same Baptist church for 61 years. Her life was beautiful and she was very devoted to her home and children. She leaves five children.

Friday Associational Officers Training Meeting

- A. M.
9:00—Song, Scripture, Prayer.
9:15—Recognition of Associations.
9:30—Our Four Year Program—Mr. Joe Davis Heacock.
Mr. Auber J. Wilds.
10:00—Conferences—Associational General Officers
Mr. Joe Davis Heacock.
Associational Department Leaders—
Story Hour, Miss Thelma Arnote.
Junior, Miss Margaret Griffin.
Intermediate, Mr. Henry Rogers.
Young People, Miss Charlotte Tedder.
Adult, Dr. Clay I. Hudson.
Special Conferences for Training Union Officers who are not Associational Officers—Intermediates.
Juniors.
Story Hour Children.
11:20—Assembly Song.
11:30—Departments Presented—
Story Hour, Miss Arnote.
Junior, Miss Griffin.
Intermediate, Mr. Rogers.
Young People, Miss Tedder.
Adult, Dr. Hudson.
12:30—Adjourn for Lunch.
2:15—Song, Scripture, Prayer.
2:30—Conferences as in the Morning.
3:50—Assembly Song.
4:00—Announcements.
4:10—Message by Mr. Heacock.
4:30—Final Adjournment.

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In sending in the subscription of Pfc. John L. Smith, who is overseas, Mrs. Smith writes that "Although they are cut off from most of the world they still are carrying on for the Lord and many boys are accepting Christ as their personal Saviour."

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

ONE QUESTION FOR TEACHER AND CLASS

(Correct answers on Page Fifteen.)

1. Of the many animals mentioned in the Bible can you name the first one, and why it was the first?
2. Job uses the word, 'Mazzaroth' in Chapter 38; Verse 32. If you were asked what the word meant, how would you answer it?
3. Jesus performed many miracles, all of them mentioned in the Bible. Can you name the first one and describe it?
4. John writes about 'A certain nobleman' in Chapter 4; verse 46. This nobleman held a responsible office. Can you name it?

HIGHLAND CHURCH, MERIDIAN, LOSES THREE FAITHFUL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the Death Angel has invaded the ranks of Highland Baptist Church on several occasions since the first of this year and has taken from our midst both young and old, and

WHEREAS, the church has suffered great loss in their going, because of their wise counsel, their high Christian ideals and virtues, and their spiritual and material contributions to God's cause here, three of them being men with records of many years of service in the work of this church: Brother W. C. Moss, Sr., having been a charter member of this church, providing a meeting place for its organization, and serving as a property trustee throughout the years; Brother F. W. McDonald, having been a deacon for some thirty years, serving on the building committee, giving of his labor, materials and supervision in the construction of the building, and serving as a teacher in the Sunday school for more than twenty years; Brother L. M. Pierce, serving as a deacon for many years, practical and sound in his reasoning and counsel, tireless in his labors for the advancement of God's kingdom, and loyal and devoted to his church and its affairs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we thank God for giving them to us as long as He did, and that we ask Him to lead us to those who can and will carry on in their stead as conscientiously as they did, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of our church, a copy be sent to the members of the family of each, and that a copy be sent to The Baptist Record for publication.

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7:30 early? It is not too early for an innumerable host of our Catholic friends to get up and go to early mass. Surely others can turn on their radios at 7:30 for a great Baptist Hour program.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

Christmas Again

As we come with this last message of 1943, we wish for each and every one a most happy and joyous Christmas season. May the spirit of Him who gave us Christmas be in each one in abundant measure to bring the joy and happiness that only He can give.

This year has been indeed a pleasant one in so many ways in spite of hindrances incident to the great war that has engulfed the world. Pastors, general superintendents, department superintendents, teachers, and others have cooperated in such a beautiful way that we want to say from the depths of our hearts "thank you."

May the rich blessings of the Christ of Christmas be upon each and all in abundant measure.

Christmas Greetings to All Elementary Workers From Your Elementary Secretary

"May He, who came to earth to bring God's message unto men,
Whose words are just as precious,
To His children now, as then,
Bless you in His service
And, in His gracious way,
Be your inspiration
And your joy from day to day."

Standards

We are indeed happy to tell our people that the Sunday school of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is now on our standard list, and for the first time, unless it was prior to 1924.

It is always an evidence of great leadership combined with cooperative following to standardize any school, and it is more especially so with a large church school. 1943 has been rather unusual with us in having so many of our large Sunday schools on the standard list.

Dr. T. D. Brown, pastor, Mr. Wheeler Bryant, superintendent, and Mr. Carl Kosanke, education director, have led most splendidly in this great work of standardizing the Sunday school of the First church, Hattiesburg. Our heartiest congratulations to them and their fellow-workers on this excellent achievement.

This now gives us 52 standard schools for 1943, and the only state in the South that has passed its 1942 record. To all those who have contributed so nobly in this we are grateful.

Others Also

The Cradle Roll department, Union, Mrs. R. I. Miller, superintendent; the Beginner department, Louisville, Miss Ida Wood, superintendent; the Primary department, West Point First, Mrs. J. B. Walker, superintendent, and the Primary department, Tupelo Calvary, Mrs. J. R. Horton, superintendent, have all joined the standard parade for this year.

We now have five standard Primary departments whereas this time last year we had only one. Thanks and congratulations to all the workers in the above departments.

That January Flood!!

For a few weeks now we have been talking about that January FLOOD.

We mean a regular FLOOD of standard applications coming in during January—and the very first week if possible.

In fact, the flood has begun at a pretty lively pace even in December. At this rate, there is no telling what it will be by the end of January. We hope, and confidently believe, that it will be the greatest thing of this kind that we have ever experienced. We want to give Nashville a veritable overflow of standard applications—class, department, and general—during January. And, we hope that the biggest part of the flood will be the first week of January.

Since December closes the first quarter of this Sunday school year, and since department and class applications are based on a quarter's work, January is the month to apply for standard recognition for the quarter ending December 31.

Also, since the general school standard runs by the calendar year, all schools that meet all the points by the end of December can apply in January for 1944 standard recognition.

1943 Standards

All Sunday schools that are standard in 1943 can apply the first of January for 1944 recognition if at that time they meet all the points.

Of course, this is true of any school, but for those that have maintained consistently through 1943 the standard rating, they can apply, along with any others meeting all points, for their standard award the first of January.

Therefore, let all general superintendents, department superintendents, and teachers not fail to see that everything is ready to apply early in January for 1944 standard recognition.

Yes, let's make it a real January FLOOD of standard applications.

On the mark! Get set!! Go!!

If you need application blanks, write us.

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Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley
Soldiers, Sailors, Defense Projects Service

This department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board is proud of our men and women rendering service to our nation in the most critical period in its history. They are stalwart sons and daughters, unafraid, with fighting hearts, and a will to win. Many of them are facing death, but they forge ahead with "Old Glory" in each perilous hour. Truly, they are modern Crusaders, imbued with ideals of Christianity and determined to fight and die for them, if necessary.

To each of you wearing the service uniform, to your mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, relatives and friends, we extend the Season's Greetings and with it our prayer for your safety, an early victory, and a lasting peace.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:14.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY STUDENTS ELECT OFFICERS

The Mississippi students at the Seminary and Training School in Louisville, Kentucky, have had several group meetings this year. In September they had a prayer meeting in the Norton hall sun parlor. On October 12 they had an excellent party, with forty-two Mississippians present. (There are thirty-five seminary students, three training school board students and five seminary students' wives in school at this time, and twelve wives not in school—a total of fifty-five Mississippians!)

At the first missionary day meeting of the year, October 13, the group elected the following officers:

President—Bill Drummond, Memphis (Mississippi College graduate).

Vice-president—Bill Bean, Springfield, Mo. (Mississippi College graduate.)

Secretary—Verna Oden, Lucedale.

Treasurer—Alvin Collins, Myrtle.

Reporter—Orman McDonald, Meridian.

Chorister—J. L. Moran, Picayune.

Pianist—Pauline Moore, Newton.

Ethyl McKeithen of Meridian gave a talk on alcohol education.

At the second missionary day meeting, November 11, Chaplain E. E. Smith, Bowman Field, former professor of religious education in the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago, brought a message on "The Problems of the Chaplaincy."

Twenty of the boys are pastors of churches in nearby Kentucky, Indiana and Tennessee. The others work in various Louisville churches, as do the training school students. Some of the wives are church secretaries, some are school teachers, and some hold stenographic and other jobs.

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE MEN WERE PROMINENT AT B. B. I. INAUGURATION

During the inaugural program of Duke Kimbrough McCall as third president of the Baptist Bible Institute the following Mississippi College men took part: Dr. D. M. Nelson, Ph.D., LL.D., president of Mississippi College; Dr. Edgar Godbold, M.A., LL.D., president of Louisiana College, Pineville, La.; Dr. D. A. McCall, D.D., represented the Mississippi Baptist Convention; Dr. J. Norris Palmer, Th.D., represented the Sunday School Board; Dr. L. E. Green, Th.D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Pascagoula, Miss.; Dr. B. C. Land, Th.D., pastor, Riverside Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.; Dr. W. A. Bell, pastor of Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss. John Watts and Jesse L. Boyd were students at the Bible Institute and members of the quartet which furnished part of the music during the services.

The influence of Mississippi College has gone out to our neighboring states and in many foreign fields. The spirit goes out in business, in public life as well as the spiritual realm. In fact, the spirit of Mississippi College reaches every phase of life in most every community of the state and in many foreign lands. The world needs more men and women workers with ideals and attributes which Mississippi College develops.



DR. HOWARD M. REAVES

DR. HOWARD M. REAVES GOES TO SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD Becomes New Editor of Home and Devotional Literature

On December 1 Dr. Howard M. Reaves, for the past thirteen years the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, South Carolina, moved to Nashville to accept a position as editorial associate in the Division of Editorial Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board. He will become the editor of home and devotional literature and will be responsible for checking all materials for accuracy of statement and interpretation.

In presenting his recommendation Dr. W. R. White, editorial secretary, said: "We have come to the firm conviction that we have found God's man for the place. He and his wife come from great Christian homes. They are building a Christian home in their own right. Christian culture and scholarship combine in their family to a remarkable degree."

Dr. Reaves was born in Statesville, North Carolina. His father, Dr. Edward S. Reaves, was for many years an influential pastor and leader in South Carolina. He is a B. A. graduate of Furman University, and has earned the following graduate degrees: M.A., University of North Carolina; Th.M. and Ph.D., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and spent one year of graduate study at Yale. Prior to the beginning of his theological training he taught English in several high schools. Since 1930 Dr. Reaves has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, South Carolina. Here he has held a most successful pastorate, guiding in the erection of a splendid educational building and leading the church forward in its worship, evangelistic, teaching, and training activities. He was a trustee of Coker College and influential in the work of the South Carolina Baptist Convention. He is a trustee of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

In 1931 Dr. Reaves was married to Miss Kathleen Durham, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Durham, Lumberton, North Carolina, where her father was for many years the distinguished pastor. Dr. and Mrs. Reaves have three children, Charles, Edward and James.

THE GREAT COMMISSION

(A sermon preached at the Jackson County Baptist Association by L. E. Green, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pascagoula, and sent to The Baptist Record for publication by vote of the Association.)

The twenty-eighth chapter of Matthew is truly one of the great chapters of the Bible. In this chapter we have two most significant facts: (1) The bodily resurrection of Jesus. (2) The Great Commission. On these two facts the redemptive worth and very existence of Christianity rests. Disprove the bodily resurrection of Jesus and the very foundation of Christianity is destroyed. Neglect or alter the Great Commission and the future redemptive worth and effect of Christianity in human experience is nullified.

The first great fact of Christianity, the bodily resurrection of Jesus, has been the object of attack by materialistic and rationalistic unbelievers of all ages. But in spite of their eternal vigilance the fact of the bodily resurrection of Jesus stands and with it the genuineness of Christianity is secure.

The second great fact of Christianity, the Great Commission, is being neglected and altered by professed Christians on every hand and because of it the redemptive worth and effect of Christianity in human experience is being nullified. Consequently, counterfeit forms of Christian life are being produced and by them the eternal purpose of God in Christ is being more or less jeopardized.

Predicated on Terrible Facts

Jesus based the Great Commission on the terrible fact of sin. Sin is an attitude of mind and heart wherein ALL that God has spoken is disbelieved and the Person of God disrespected. It finds open expression in violation of the law and will of God and produces all the dreadful relationships between man and God and between man and man.

The reality of the fact of sin is self-evident by the godlessness, lust, greed, drunkenness, adultery, rape, covetousness, lying, stealing, gambling, dishonor, murder, broken homes, juvenile delinquency, fallen governments, etc., etc.

Jesus faced these facts of sin and dedicated the program of the Great Commission on and because of them. Now if the predicate of sin be false, the program of the Great Commission is wrong and useless. But IF sin be a reality the program of the Great Commission is right and its place in every true Christian's thinking is imperative. Therefore, we as Baptists, need to face the facts of sin as Jesus did.

Projected by Supreme Sovereignty

Men who occupy many fields of human endeavor have projected all kinds of plans for the salvation of men from sin and its many inter-related problems: religion, education, psychology, philosophy, sociology, psychiatry, politics, etc., etc.

But ALL such plans are products of the limited range of human wisdom. Their authors are themselves victims of sin and possess not the sovereignty that qualifies them to speak. Their plans do not satisfy the demands of God's righteousness and justice against the wrongs of sin; they do not reach the inner nature and

bent of the human soul to sin; nor do they supply the necessary dynamic whereby to attain their ideal.

Jesus is the one of supreme sovereignty: "All power is given unto me in heaven and earth." Matt. 28:18. The sovereignty of Jesus is His right to rule, His right to speak on matters of sin, salvation, etc. His is a sovereignty based in the infiniteness, righteousness, justness and love of His character. The sovereignty of Jesus is a sovereignty of wisdom, power, love and motive. . . .

The plan of salvation projected by Jesus satisfied the demands of God by His own death on the cross . . . and offers the dynamic of the Holy Spirit whereby the ideal of the Christian life is approximated in human experience.

Prescribes a Three-Fold Emphasis

1. As to elements. (1) Evangelism. Making disciples by preaching the gospel of Christ by word of mouth and by life comes first. (2) Baptism. The initial act of obedience to Christ as Lord on the part of a believer, should be New Testament baptism. New believers are to be encouraged and led to obey Jesus as Lord as well as to trust Him as Saviour. We Baptists need to widen our application of the doctrine of the lordship of Jesus so as to be as consistent on all points of Christian life and relationships as we are on the mere act of baptism itself. (3) Teaching. The teaching Jesus had in mind here is the instruction of believers in the fundamentals of the Christian life as set forth by Him.

2. As to order. The order of the Great Commission must not be changed or altered. Salvation by personal faith comes before baptism and instruction. . . . Baptism and obedience follow faith unto salvation. Teaching must come after faith and baptism because it has to do with the life of faith and obedience.

3. As to importance. The ministry outlined by Jesus is one of supreme importance for our day. Here the provisions of redemptive grace and power contact the lost soul. Here the work of God in human experience has its beginning. Here the desire of God for broken and undone humanity succeeds or fails. We cannot alter or neglect as important a matter as this without the cause of Christ suffering terrible hurt. . . .

Promises His Perpetual Presence

"I will be with you. . . ." The personal presence of the sovereign Saviour, with His wisdom, power, guidance, etc. He will be with you to own and bless when you speak, pray, and work; with you when great and perplexing problems come; with you when Satan presses hard with hate, and persecution; yea with you when sorrow, heartaches, loneliness, fear and distress of soul comes. . . .

But we need to know that this promise of His presence with us is conditioned by our carrying out the commission as given by Him with no alterations whatsoever. The secret of success and permanency in our work as Baptists will be determined by the degree of our meeting the condition laid down by Jesus in the Great Commission. Therefore, we Baptists must be true to Christ and His will regardless of the cost.

Presses Tremendous Demands

Whoever undertakes to approach the manifold problems of sin in human experience, anywhere and any-

SOLDIER HOLY LAND TOURS SO POPULAR JERUSALEM STORES SELL OUT ALL BIBLES

Holy Land scenic tours conducted by United States Army chaplains for military personnel, on furlough or convalescing from illness or wounds, became so popular and encouraged so much religious interest that Jerusalem stores sold completely out of Bibles, the War Department declared today.

Chaplain (Colonel) Jack P. Morison, of 1200 South Fourth Street, Louisville, Kentucky, a 9th Air Force chaplain stationed in Cairo for the past 13 months, said on a visit home that over 3,000 officers, nurses and enlisted men had taken the tours in a little over a year.

"The tours are so popular," said Chaplain Morison, "that requests must come in two or three weeks in advance. The vast majority of all those on leave or furlough want one of the tours."

"Expenses are met on a pro rata basis, each person paying his share. An average tour is three days; but some are only one day, some a week. It depends on how much time a person has to spend."

For a while Chaplain Morison and an assistant guided the tours, but the demand became so great that additional personnel had to be placed on detached service in Tel Aviv with the sole duty of arranging the tours.

"Perhaps the largest tour was during Holy Week," Chaplain Morison said, "when 500 officers, nurses and men participated, and it was during this week that our mobile chapel cars were dedicated."

High spots of the tours, Chaplain Morison said, included the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the Way of the Cross (Christ's itinerary from point of condemnation to Calvary), the Tomb of Our Lady (Mary, mother

time, needs to know that tremendous demands must be met if he succeeds. He must be right with God through Christ and right with man in life and conduct. He must be submissive to the will of the Holy Spirit. For the preacher this means he must be called of God into the ministry, that he must be placed of God in the field of his ministry, that his message must come from God and that God's message must be spoken in love regardless of what so doing will cost the preacher. He must be true to the Word of God and all of its teachings. He must reject any and all efforts that compromise on sin and God's plan of dealing with it. He must be convinced of the adequacy of the Gospel for any and all sinners and venture out with it to men in sin and seek their salvation.

Conclusion

Baptists, being a people who profess to qualify for the ministry of the Great Commission, must make the Great Commission their imperative. We claim to accept the Word of God as it is; if we do, we must major on the Great Commission. . . .

"My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name."

"On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand."

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B. B. Hilbun, Pastor.

SOME BEAUTY YET

Just at this season of the year field and woodland are ablaze in a riot of beautiful colors—a feast for weary eyes, a balm to jaded nerves, if we but take a stroll and view them.

Directly across the street from my home are two snug little cottages side by side. In one lives a widow, alone, children having married and gone; in the other, two maiden sisters. The three are warm personal friends, and all sturdy, tranquil Christian characters.

On the front lawn of each cottage stands a beautiful sycamore tree, some 60 or 70 feet in height. They are enough alike to be twins. Thirty feet above the sidewalk their branches interlock in friendly embrace, symbolic, as it were, of the love and friendship that exists between the dwellers beneath.

Every day I stand before these trees and drink in their loveliness. Their symmetry, sturdy strength and beauty stand as a challenge to tree lovers, as well as to shapers of human lives. The bronze leaves seemingly, enjoy themselves greatly rushing into the wake of swiftly passing cars, racing each other and somersaulting up and down street. They trouble themselves not with traffic hazards.

And, like myself, the dwellers beneath have passed over the crest and are traveling down the slopes toward the setting sun. As the evening shadows grow longer, their Christian faith and friendships grow stronger.

There is yet some beauty left, if we but see it, in this turbulent, home-shaken, ugly-dispositioned world.—C. S. Smith Greenville, Miss.

"What do I have to pay for a marriage license?" asked the timid young man. "Well, you get it on the installment plan," returned the facetious clerk. "How's that?" "Two dollars down," said the clerk. "and your entire salary each week for the rest of your life."

of Christ), David's Tower, the Temple of Omar, Solomon's Temple, the various gates and original streets of Jerusalem, the Garden of Gethsemane, and the Church of All Nations. The longest tour is from Jerusalem to the Sea of Galilee.

Buses or taxi cabs are chartered and British chaplains help by furnishing guides. The tours are pleasant, Chaplain Morison said. The quarters at various stops are run by the British and are very good. Although food is rationed, it is well prepared.

Chaplain Morison, who was a Civilian Conservation Corps chaplain in 1933 and after that entered the army, said that American Bible societies and government agencies had furnished many Bibles to soldiers and that every member of the 9th Air Force had a Bible, Testament or Prayer Book.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

GOD'S GREAT LOVE AND HIS GIFT Matthew 2:1-12

I. Who? Where? When?

"When Jesus was born." Let us stay our hearts for a moment on the name of our Saviour here given. "Jesus," and the name is full of significance. It is His human name and stamps Him as really man, with the heart and the hopes of a man, the love and loyalty of a man. He was the best of men, so we have, I think, a perfect right to infer that He would love the things the best men love. He would be loyal to the principles which challenge the loyalty of the best men. If good men among us strive to do the good, He even more, as the best of men would. If good men are pitiful, He even more. If good men will suffer for the right, He even more, and unto death.

"Wise-men" came from the east. That was the seat of learning in the days of our Lord and remains unto this day the region whence comes the men of profoundest insight into the souls of men. Just who they were nobody knows. Legend has named them and assigned the regions whence each of them came, but all of this naming and all of this assigning of points of origin is only legend. We may be sure, however, that they were men of sensitive hearts, who loved the right and were earnest seekers of the best. If we may say that their journey had been long the fact that it was sets a high value upon their estimate of the importance of the truth. There is prophetic significance in the fact that they were not Jews. They were the rivulets of the rivers of humanity, which have since flowed toward the brightness of his rising. They were the first seekers of the multitude which no man can number of those who look toward him as the fountain of life.

Herod the king, was not a Jew, but an Idumean by blood and breeding who, as a practical politician had succeeded in getting himself appointed under-king of the country of the Jews. He is known in history as "Herod the Great," largely because of the vast public buildings which he undertook in his kingdom. He rebuilt the temple in Jerusalem upon a scale more magnificent than that upon which Solomon had originally constructed it. "Forty and six years was this temple a-building." The Jews, however, hated Herod and were said to have been so suspicious of his building project that they refused to allow him to tear down any wall of the old temple until the wall of the new had been constructed.

Herod was so jealous of his throne that he became the murderer of his own children, a bloody tyrant whose life-story makes a dirty blot upon the history of that country. Matthew tells us enough that we may know what motive urged him to locate the new-born king. A reading of the remaining verses of this chapter gives convincing proof of the brutal lengths to which Herod was willing to go in order to provide against the rising of a rival claimant to the throne.

(All Jerusalem) means of course the people of the city. Why do you suppose they were troubled at the report of the birth of a king of the Jews? Does it not seem that they would have rejoiced to know that their long-promised king of the Jews had been born? Could there have been in the question and announcement of the eastern wise men the beginning of the contest between the preferences of the Jewish people and the provisions of the Lord? A king had come, but he was not the king they wanted. The king had come to inaugurate a kingdom; but it was not the kind of kingdom they wanted, it is not the kind of a kingdom they and their successors want now. The kingdom they envisioned was a splendid one, but its splendor was earthly, a glorious one, but its glory was material, a conquering one, but its power was of this world. Such was the kingdom they wanted and such was the kingdom that their spiritual successors want now, and that is the reason that they have never been willing to accept Him when He said, "My kingdom is not of this world." That's the way it must have looked to them when He came. A company of strangers came from beyond their border announcing the birth of their king as though He was to be friendly in His attitude to people other than Jews, and this did not jibe with their selfish conception of the office and attitude of their coming king. He was to be king of the Jews, and enemy to all other people. That was what they wanted Him to be.

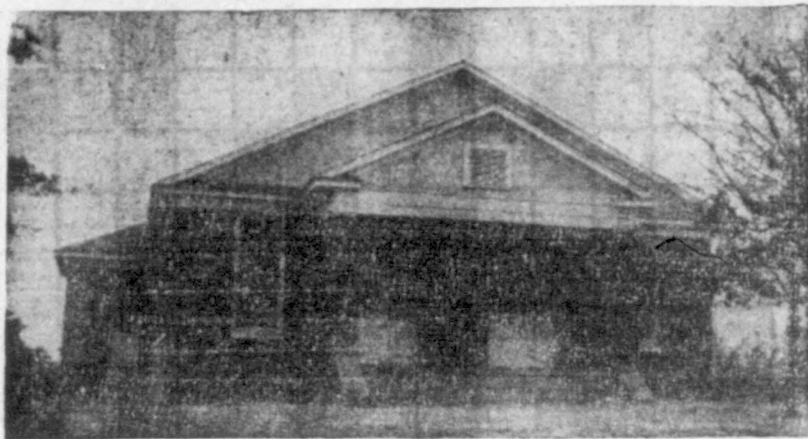
II. Where?

"In Bethlehem of Judea." The Lord Jesus was a lineal descendant of David the king. It was fitting that He should be born in David's birthplace. The word "Bethlehem" means "the house of bread," and it was altogether fitting that the Bread of Life should come from that house. True, Bethlehem was a very small city off the great highways of travel, well hidden among the hills of the surrounding country. When the great king came, his coming was quiet, unobtrusive, through the gateway of an obscure place. Did you notice how the wise men learned where He was to be born? The priests in Jerusalem found it in Micah 5:2 and Micah lived seven hundred years before the Lord was born. That is a time longer by more than two full centuries than that which has elapsed since Columbus discovered America. Why was Micah able to tell where the Lord was to be born seven hundred years before He came? Nobody foretold the place of the birth of the discoverer of America before he was born. Nobody was able to foretell the birthplace of the first president of this country. Nobody is able to tell the birthplace of the president of this country during the next four years, though he has been born a good many years now. The answer is, Micah spoke the word of God. In the wisdom of God it was fitting that Christ should be born in Bethlehem.

III. When?

"When the fullness of time came." I have spent a good deal of time telling how the Lord got the world ready for the coming of its king and how He sent the king at just the time that He had got the world ready. He had reduced the civilized world under one government, and that the most perfectly organized system of human

DEDICATION OF LONGVIEW CHURCH SET



The Longview Baptist Church which is located eight miles east of Pontotoc in Pontotoc county will be dedicated on Sunday, December 26th. Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of the First Baptist Church, at New Albany, Mississippi, will preach the dedicatory sermon and former pastors have been invited and several of them will have parts on the program.

The destruction of the former building by a tornado made the erection of the present building necessary. The building to be dedicated is made of brick and has adequate Sunday school rooms and is valued at \$10,500. The building was started while the church was without a pastor but Dr. J. M. Walker became supply pastor and served the church during

the time that most of the work on the building was done. Rev. John W. Cook became pastor a short while before the building was completed. Some skilled labor was hired but the most of the work was done by the members of the church. The church was built and paid for within the space of two years with some help from interested friends and a small contribution from the State Mission Board.

On the day of dedication there will be a morning program beginning at 10:00 o'clock and an afternoon program beginning at 2:00 o'clock. The community will serve lunch at the noon hour. All former members and friends are invited to be present for the day.

MID-WINTER REVIVAL CRUSADE STILL LIVES AND GROWS

During the week of April 4, while ploughing and planting as well as schools were going on, it was my great privilege to conduct a revival-meeting with Euclatubba Baptist Church, Lee county, and also to speak several times to two high schools that week. Rev. S. S. Kelly is their new pastor and moderator of Lee County Association, but was busy in another meeting.

We had small crowds with good interest, two additions (one by baptism), one Now Club Certificate eleven Baptist Records, etc. They needed a new building and I told them that they could built it—they have—under the fine leadership of their pastor, S. S. Kelly. And they have paid for it as they built. It can be done! Brother Kelly and the church will soon be ready to dedicate it. Thank God, for He uses His people and blesses us greatly—E. D. Estes, Enlistment Pastor.

government the world had ever seen. He had taught the world of scholars one language, and that the most exact medium of expression that has ever been devised. He had knitted the world with a system of highways the finest and most complete that engineering skill had ever constructed. He had sharpened in the heart of good men a longing for deliverance from sin keener than man had ever known before. He had fixed in his wisdom the "due time" for the sending of the Redeemer, and when that time came, God redeemed His promise that He would send the world a Savior. God always has redeemed His promise; God always will redeem His promise. At this Christmas season and through the seasons that shall follow it, God will not be slack, God is not slack, God has not been slack concerning His promises.

25 Years Ago

Rev. J. C. Parker has been called to Morton.

Special prayer is asked for Missionary H. M. Harris, who has served as pastor for the past year in Clinton, but who has just sailed for France to work among the Chinese laborers there.

The church at Camden paid the pastor in full for the past year and threw in \$50 for good measure. They also made a budget for \$1,000 for the coming year, which puts them in the A-1 class for the once a month church.

N. T. Tull said, "When twenty of the strongest men of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, stood at the men's banquet and pledged to tithe for the coming year this budget man said, 'That's the biggest thing I have seen in Mississippi.'"

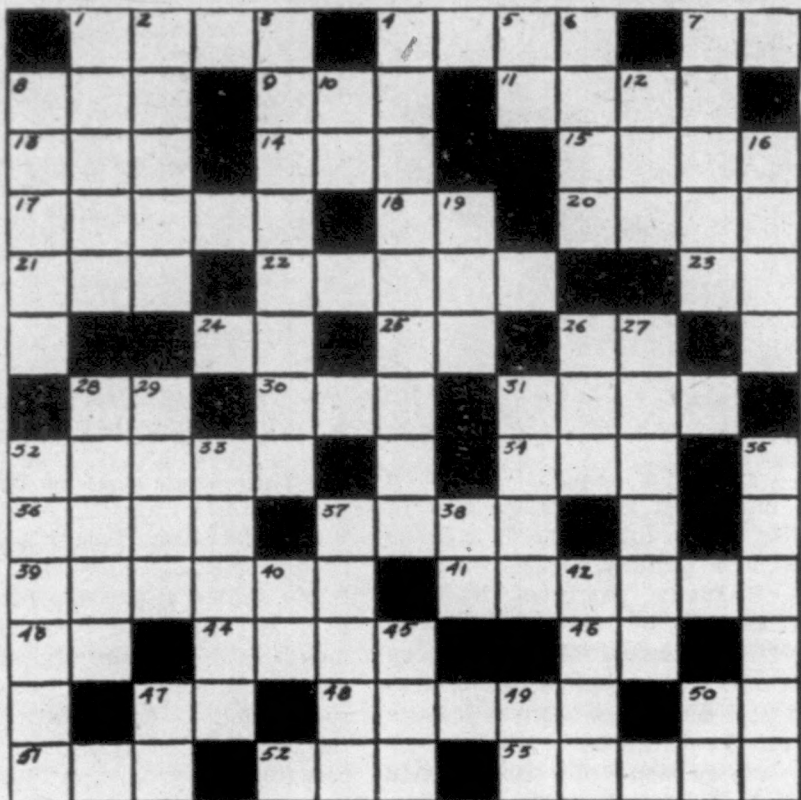
Rev. M. J. Maloney resigned at Oxford to accept the Gulfport pastorate.

Baptist headquarters in Jackson has been hit hard by flu. The stenographer and bookkeeper in Dr. Lawrence's office are both out. The assistant in Miss Lackey's office is laid off. Dr. R. B. Gunter of the Education Commission is in bed, and so is Bro. W. R. Cooper who is Delta assistant.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

	SS	BTU
Bethlehem (Dec. 12)	64	69
McDonald (Leake) (Dec. 12)	75	72
Crystal Springs	397	115
West Side Natchez	58	40
Ackerman	78	20
Wellman (Lincoln)	68	96
First church Jackson	386	301
Calvary church Jackson	766	232

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE

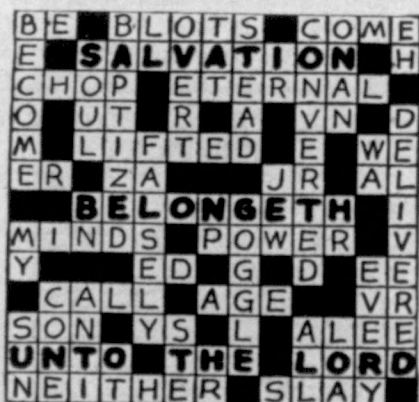


"Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."
—Ps. 119:11.

THE WORD OF GOD
ACROSS

- 1 "my word shall not . . . away," Mark 13:31.
- 4 " . . . up the testimony," Isa. 8:16.
- 7 "and . . . his law doth he meditate," Ps. 1:2.
- 8 "are written . . . our admonition," I Cor. 10:11.
- 9 "delight is in . . . law of the Lord," Ps. 1:2.
- 11 "the . . . which he commanded to a thousand generations," I Chron. 16:15.
- 13 " . . . and wast, and . . . to come," Rev. 11:17.
- 14 "we may do . . . the words of this law," Deut. 29:29.
- 15 Secluded spot.
- 17 Compound suffix.
- 18 That is.
- 20 "holy scriptures, which are . . . to make thee wise," II Tim. 3:15.
- 21 "By . . . word of the Lord were . . . heavens made," Ps. 33:6.
- 22 "Let the word of Christ . . . in you," Col. 3:16.
- 23 Compass point.
- 24 "Blessed is . . . that readeth," Rev. 1:3.
- 25 Eastern state.
- 26 " . . . thou put the brethren in remembrance," I Tim. 4:6.
- 28 "words . . . the Lord are pure words," Ps. 12:6.
- 30 "law of . . . Lord is perfect," Ps. 19:7.
- 31 "testimony of the . . . is sure," Ps. 19:7.
- 32 Rubbish.
- 34 Data.
- 36 Entrance.
- 37 "speak unto . . . this word," Jer. 13:12.
- 39 Priest who explained the law, Neh. 8:7.
- 41 "doth not yet . . . what we shall be," I John 3:2.
- 43 A Benjamite, I Chron. 7:12.
- 44 "hear with thine . . ." Ezek. 44:5.
- 46 Newspaper item.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



art, that I might not sin against thee."

- 47 "Commandment of the Lord . . . pure," Ps. 19:8.
 - 48 "statutes of the Lord are . . ." Ps. 19:8.
 - 50 "err, because . . . know not the scriptures," Mark 12:24.
 - 51 "for a . . . and for a snare to the inhabitants," Isa. 8:14.
 - 52 God of war and victory (northern myth).
 - 53 "lay up his words in thine . . ." Job 22:22.
- Our text is 8, 9, 11, 28, 30, 31, 47 and 48 combined.

DOWN

- 1 "between the . . . and the altar," Ezek. 8:16.
- 2 Boy's nickname.
- 3 " . . . in awe of thy word," Ps. 119:161.
- 4 "that heareth my word, and . . . on him," John 5:24.
- 5 Compass point.
- 6 Madam (Sp.).
- 7 "ye turned to God from . . . I Thes. 1:9.
- 8 "So then . . . cometh by hearing," Rom. 10:17.
- 10 House of lords.
- 12 " . . . not the poor," Prov. 22:22.
- 16 "hear the word of God, and . . . it," Luke 11:28.
- 19 Highest note in Guido's scale.
- 26 Anion.
- 27 "worlds were . . . by the word of God," Heb. 11:3.
- 28 " . . . my steps in thy word," Ps. 119:133.
- 29 "than one tittle of the law to . . ." Luke 16:17.
- 31 "Thy word is a . . . unto my feet," Ps. 119:105.
- 32 "by . . . heed thereto according to thy word," Ps. 119:9.
- 33 Pens.
- 35 "I will not . . . thy word," Ps. 119:16.
- 37 "my salvation shall not . . ." Isa. 46:13.
- 38 Each.
- 40 Tantalum.
- 42 "come down upon his own . . ." Ps. 7:16.
- 45 " . . . give me this water," John 4:15.
- 47 "Thy word have I hid . . . mine heart," Ps. 119:11.
- 49 His highness.
- 50 Year.

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W. R. WHITE INAUGURATES
BAPTIST RADIO PROGRAM

The fourth annual Baptist Hour series will be inaugurated at 7:30 Central War Time, January 2nd, with Dr. W. R. White, editorial secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, as the speaker. His theme is, "The Shaking of the Nations," the subject for the series being, "Religious Foundations for Tomorrow's World."

Dr. White was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City, as well as formerly Executive Secretary of Texas Baptists. He is one of the most popular speakers among Southern Baptists.

The music for this year will be furnished by the Baptist Hour Choir, Mr. John D. Hoffman, director, and Mr. George S. Hamrick, organist.

The programs will originate in the studios of WSB, "The Voice of the South," Atlanta, Georgia.

The programs can be heard in our state over Radio Stations WCBI, Columbus; WSLI, Jackson; KWKH, Shreveport; WREC, Memphis and WSM, Nashville.

Other speakers for January are: the 9th, Dr. Ralph A. Herring; the 16th, Dr. Douglas S. Freeman; the 23rd, Dr. Harold W. Tribble, and the 30th, Dr. C. C. Warren.

February speakers are: the 6th, Dr. John L. Slaughter; the 13th, Chester E. Swor; the 20th, Dr. J. D. Grey; the 27th, Dr. Perry F. Webb.

For March the speakers are: Dr. Ryland Knight; the 12th, Dr. Homer P. Rainey; the 19th, Dr. J. Howard Williams; the 26th, Dr. W. F. Powell.

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Governor Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma has been elected as president of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention.

MRS. S. A. POOL

A good woman has passed away. Mrs. S. A. Pool, one of Union's best loved women, passed away November 26, 1943. Mrs. Pool endeared herself to all whom she came in contact. She was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church and loved the Lord and her church. How difficult it is for us to realize that she has been taken from our midst. She will be sadly missed by her loved ones and friends.

Surviving are her husband, S. A. Pool; one daughter, Evelyn Pool Davis, of Union; two sisters, Mesdames Carrie Koonce Sigrest of Hattiesburg and Willie Koonce of Union; one brother, Prof. Riley Koonce of Yazoo City.

Services were conducted from the home by her former pastor, Rev. G. O. Parker, of Magee.

Active pallbearers were: E. C. Cooper, R. L. White, Dr. J. O. Fulton, G. L. James, L. B. Porter and J. W. Henry.

Members of Mrs. Pool's Sunday school class were in charge of the beautiful floral offerings. They were: Mesdames Carroll Cooper, Maud Jenkins, W. L. White, Mack Nicholson and J. A. Walton. EDWARD C. COOPER.

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FORMER MISSISSIPPIAN MAKES
GOOD RECORD

Mississippians are reading with pardonable pride of the fine work done by Dick Hall, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Decatur, Ga., which has just celebrated its eighty-first birthday and the dedicating of its building free of debt. Remembered for his excellent record at Mississippi College, Pastor Hall, whose home was at New Albany, has held successful pastorates at Erlanger, Ky., Miami and DeLand, Fla. He holds the Th.M. and Ph.D. degrees from the seminary at Louisville, in addition to his college degree. At present he is student pastor for the Atlanta B. S. U. He places first emphasis on soul winning and has welcomed more than nine hundred into his church at Decatur, where the Sunday school enrollment is 1200.

In addition to his church activities Pastor Hall finds time to serve as chairman of the Georgia hospital committee to raise a million dollar enlargement fund, and to serve as chairman of the chaplaincy committee of the Home Mission Board, of which he is a member. Recently he was made a member of the Board of Directors of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist paper.

WEST CORINTH EXPRESSES
APPRECIATION FOR REV. WALLIS

Whereas, the members of West Corinth Baptist church of Corinth, Mississippi desire to extend to Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Wallis our deep love and appreciation for their faithful, untiring service to our church, our community and adjoining communities for these eight years with us;

Whereas, we feel that we, the church, our young people and our community as a whole, have been greatly benefitted by their capable leadership as a pastor, director of young people, and community leaders;

Whereas, we have received inspiration from their work, their daily living in our midst, and their generous hospitality in their home;

Whereas, they are not only held in high esteem, but are loved by every one who knew them;

Therefore, be it resolved that we express our appreciation for their services to us and our best wishes to them in their new work;

Be it resolved second, that we send a copy of these resolutions to them and to The Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted,
H. O. RUSSELL
MRS. E. L. McHOFFEY
MRS. J. D. FORSYTH

A GRATEFUL PASTOR

We are grateful for the opportunities the Lord has given us to preach His Word. The work is hard on our physical strength because we are trying to carry on under the stress of the times in which we live. I appreciate the Record more now than ever. It is impossible for me to see the 1100 members of my churches as I would like to, but the Record serves in a capacity that nothing else could.

I would appreciate it if you would put the following message in the Record if you have the space:

To the eleven hundred and twenty-three members of whom it is my privilege of being pastor, I wish to express my deepest gratitude for the splendid way you have responded in carrying on the Kingdom of our Lord. I appreciate the splendid spirit of cooperation that has existed between you all as we labor under the stress and strain of the times. May we work and pray for the day to come when we can see men at peace again. Most of you are being sent The Baptist Record; read it carefully and prayerfully and you will be able to catch a glimpse of the wonderful opportunities that Baptists have in spreading the Gospel of our Christ to the ends of the earth. It will prove an inspiration to sacrificial living and giving, that these opportunities may be met in a noble, gratifying manner. Your pastor covets your prayers as well as the prayers of Christian people everywhere, that we may move forward courageously and faithfully in the ministry that God has called us to.

Sincerely,
REV. JOE W. HUDSON.
—BR—

Purvis: We had five additions last Sunday and have six awaiting baptism.—T. A. Sumrall, pastor.

This Home-Mixed
Cough Relief Is
Hard To Beat

So Easy. No Cooking. Saves Dollars.

No matter what you've been using for coughs due to colds, you'll be the first to admit that this surprising relief, mixed in your own kitchen, can't be surpassed.

Make a syrup by stirring 2 cups of granulated sugar and one cup of water a few moments, until dissolved. No cooking needed—a child could do it. Or you can use corn syrup or liquid honey, instead of sugar syrup.

Then put 2½ ounces of Pinex (obtained from any druggist) into a pint bottle, and add your syrup. This gives you a full pint of really amazing cough relief—about four times as much for your money. Tastes fine and never spoils.

You can feel this home mixture taking right hold of a cough. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes, and helps clear the air passages. Eases soreness and difficult breathing, and lets you sleep. Once tried, you'll swear by it.

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENDOWMENT BEING INCREASED

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The recent State Convention authorized the movement to endow the chair of Bible in honor of Dr. M. O. Patterson, who was one of the greatest professors Mississippi College ever had and one of the greatest Bible teachers of his generation.

Loyal alumni, admirers of Dr. Patterson and of Mississippi College, and all friends of Christian education are invited and urged to have a part in this worthy memorial and to help in this movement to make it a greater Mississippi College.

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→ GRAY'S OINTMENT

Answers To
Know Your Bible

(Feature on page 10.)

1. (First animal):—The sheep was the first mentioned, and the reason was that it was the most treasured possessions of the Jews.
2. ('Mazzaroth'): — 'Mazzaroth' as translated from the Hebrew, literally meant 'the twelve signs of the Zodiac.'
3. (First miracle):—You will find it in John, Chapter 2, verses I to II, and refers to the changing of the water into wine.
4. ('A certain nobleman'):—A noted Bible authority has translated the word 'nobleman' as from the Greek 'basilikos,' which is derived from the noun 'basileus,' or 'king,' and while he was not a king, he was a king's officer or royal official, and was no doubt a member of the retinue of Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee during the early period of Christ's ministry.

Dr. Bryan Simmons is leading in the campaign.

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MATTHEW 25:42-45

For I was an hungered and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall He answer them saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to the least of these, ye did it not to me.

RESOLVED: TO SEND 100,000 KITS TO RUSSIA . . .

Southern Baptists' Goal: One Kit to Every Ten Active Members

The original resolution was to send 1,000,000 cans of evaporated milk to Russia. Since this action was taken, evaporated milk has been rationed, making the collection of this item inadvisable. The Committee then voted to send 10,000 kits to Russia instead.

January 15-30, 1944, is to be set aside for collection of kits. Start plans now to reach your quota.

From air raid shelter and trenches, hundreds of Russians have written letters of thanks to Americans for gifts of clothing, medicines, seeds and food.

\$1,000,000 worth of supplies from America reach Russia each month through Russian War Relief.

TEN MILLION RUSSIANS HAVE DIED IN THIS WAR!

How to Conduct a Kit Campaign in Your Church

1. A committee should be organized with the pastor as chairman. It should have on it the following members:
 - a. Chairman Board of Deacons
 - b. Superintendent of the Sunday School
 - c. President of the Women's Missionary Society
 - d. Director of the B. T. U.
 - e. President of the Brotherhood
2. Call a meeting of this committee and set a goal for the number of kits to be collected by each organization. (1 kit to every 10 active members.)
3. Allocate a specific number of kits to be collected by each organization.
4. Work out details of plan on how to secure these kits from each organization.

January 15-30, 1944, is Date of Campaign

When you give a kit, you give cheer and practical aid to a Russian family. To Russians who are not able to secure any of the small necessities, a kit containing these items will be most cherished.

GIVE A KIT and you will be bandaging the bleeding finger of a Russian child, sewing a button on the coat of a Russian father, making a child laugh again with a piece of candy . . .

GIVE A KIT AND YOU WILL MAKE A FRIEND IN RUSSIA!

The following quotation will be used in Russian and in English on a gummed label on each kit:

"THESE KITS ARE FROM MEMBERS OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCHES, U.S.A., TO THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE."

Ten million Russians, soldiers and civilians, mothers and infants, have died in this war. News dispatches bring heartening reports of Russian victories, but each town recaptured means unbelievable devastation. Churches, homes, hospitals, schools reduced to rubble . . . Families living in dugouts without heart or light . . . Many children starving, and disease beyond cure . . . No family untouched by death or the horror of losing dear ones to the slave labor camps of Nazi Germany.

American clothing, food, seeds, medicines — yes, even words of cheer, mean new hope to millions of people throughout war-torn Russia. Thousands of letters come from Churches, farmers, factory workers, teachers, directors of orphanages, saying: "Thank you, America. Your gifts warm our Hearts. Our suffering is made lighter when we know you are with us . . ."

Statement by Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke

(Excerpt from pamphlet entitled: "Baptists in the U. S. R. R.," by James H. Rushbrooke, President, Baptist World Alliance.)

"Let it be said as emphatically as possible that no communion can be more ready than the Baptist to acknowledge the many benefits flowing from the Soviet Revolution. It has overthrown, we trust forever, an ancient and deep-rooted

Statement by Dr. W. O. Lewis

(General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance)

"I heartily second the appeal for kits to be sent to the Russian people. The need is great. Let the response be generous and prompt."

tyranny. It has brought a larger life to the common people, and, above all, a new hope for the young."

Fill The Kits With These Items, Unobtainable In Russia

The Russian War Relief, in consultation with the Soviet Red Cross, has made up a list of much needed items. It is desirable that we do not deviate from this list. It is suggested if a committee can not obtain any one of these items they may duplicate others in order to fill the Kit. Here is the list.

- 1—2-lb. box, cube or tablet sugar
 - 2—2½-oz. packages dehydrated soup mix
 - 1—14½ oz. can evaporated (not condensed) milk
 - 2—packages bouillon cubes (10 cubes)
 - 1—½ lb. package hard candies (not peanut bars or milk chocolate)
 - 1—small sewing kit (assorted needles and pins rolled in a small square of cloth, one spool each of black and white cotton thread; and one packet of buttons on card or thread)
 - 1—bar white laundry or bath soap (not naphtha or other odorless soaps). Wrap the soap in heavy waxed paper so that the odor will not permeate the candy.
 - 1—crochet needle, size 7
 - 1—pair knitting needles, size 3, 7 inches long
 - 1—pair knitting needles, size 3, 10 or 12 long
 - 2½ yd. roll 1 inch surgical adhesive tape
 - 1—6 yd. roll 2 inch gauze bandage
- After packing the Kit in order to make it absolutely tight pack on top a towel or pair of warm cotton gloves or socks. The Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention asks that no money be sent as this is only an appeal for items above listed.

How To Assemble A Kit

1. Assemble the cartoon by fastening it together with gummed paper tape.
2. Place articles in kit so they will not move about. Fill empty spaces with soft hand towel, work gloves, etc. THE KIT MUST NOT RATTLE.
3. Fasten securely.
4. A Sunday School class, or any group, may write a brief message and place it in each kit.

How To Ship Kits

1. Secure from merchants a good strong

paper carton large enough to hold 10 to 20 kits.

2. Pack kits in large cartons.
3. Fasten securely with tape and tie with heavy cord.
4. Ship to (if east of Mississippi River):
RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF
Warehouse, 401 Washington St.,
New York, N. Y.
(if west of Mississippi River):
RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF
Warehouse, 50 N. W. 14th Ave.,
Portland, Oregon
Must ship by Railroad or Motor Truck Freight.
5. A single packed kit weighs about 7 pounds. Cost of shipping a single kit varies from 10 to 20 cents each in 100-pound lots, which, we hope, can be paid by each organization. Otherwise, you may ship collect by freight.
6. The Russian War Relief will furnish the necessary number of kit cartons to Churches or organizations upon order as outlined in coupon in left hand corner of page 4. Each kit is 11 inches long, 7 inches wide, and 4 inches deep. Below is form for ordering cartons.

Order Empty Cartons At Once

Below is form for ordering cartons. (Cut out and paste on postal card for mailing).

Southern Baptist Kit Committee:
Russian War Relief, Inc.
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Dear Friends:

Our Church, or organization, wishes to have a part in sending aid to Russia, and you may send us _____ kit cartons.

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Church or organization _____

Address _____

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board looked with sympathy upon this Southern Baptist Convention approved work of mercy and appointe a Mississippi Baptist Director. All Mississippi Baptists are urged to act immediately in this matter. We feel you will find most of your questions answered in the above material. Please read it carefully.

MRS. J. A. ANDERSON, BELZONI, MISSISSIPPI

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